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RED PLOTS IN BRITAIN

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent

COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES IN BRITAIN, DIRECTED BY MOSCOW, ARE BEING CLOSELY WATCHED BY THE SPECIAL BRANCH OF SCOTLAND YARD. THESE ACTIVITIES, ORDERS FOR WHICH MOSCOW ISSUES IN COLLABORATION WITH BERLIN, ARE ON FAMILIAR LINES. THEY HAVE THREE AIMS—

RAIDERS SINK 2 NAVAL TRAWLERS

TWO H.M. TRAWLERS, THE ADMIRALTY ANNOUNCED LAST NIGHT, WERE SUNK BY GERMAN AIRMEN IN RAIDS OFF THE EAST COAST OF BRITAIN ON FRIDAY. FOUR OFFICERS AND 18 RATINGS WERE LOST.

The naval trawlers were the Robert Bowen, 290 tons, skipper Lieut. J. Clark, R.N.R., and the Fort Royal, 351 tons, skipper Lieut.-Commander E. King, R.N. No mention is made in the announcement of any survivors. The next of kin of the 22 lost have been informed.

The Robert Bowen was singled out first by the raiders, it is learned, and then two aerial torpedoes were used to sink the Fort Royal.

In the raids, which extended from Yorkshire to North Scotland, one Nazi plane crashed at North Berwick and two others were damaged by R.A.F. fighters. The profit and loss account of the bombing attacks may be drawn up as follows:—

Two small naval trawlers sunk, three unarmed merchant ships damaged, one German bomber brought down, two others seriously damaged that it is unlikely they ever reached home. The cost of three such bombers is estimated at £10,000.

Several merchant vessels—all unarmed—were attacked. None of them was sunk, and three were damaged.

Largest of them was the Clintonia, 3,106 tons, which was bombed and machine-gunned. She reached harbour under her own steam.

The mud-hopper Foremost, 306 tons was damaged and towed into port. The Boston Trader, 371 tons, escaped a direct hit, but was damaged by a bomb exploding in the water.

The Grimsey trawler Lord Darling, which was bombed and machine-gunned for 45 minutes by two Nazi planes, reached port with only a few bullet holes.

More than 20 bombs were aimed at the vessel. The man who caused them all to miss was Frank Baker, the third hand, who stayed at the wheel throughout and swerved his ship this way, that way, as the raiders zoomed overhead.

POT-SHOTS WITH RIFLE

Frank, an ex-Navy man, never turned a hair as the bombs crashed and bullets splattered around him. When two Heinkels attacked another trawler, the Lowdeck, 276 tons, Skipper John Moore, of Hull, took pot-shots at one of the raiders with a rifle.

"I was on the bridge when the Nazi came for us," he said yesterday.

"I let the first plane have 20 shots, and must have struck it, because the pilot turned away, leaving the other Heinkel to do the bombing."

The bombs fell all round us—one of them only four yards away.

What seemed to be an air torpedo was finally fired and struck us a glancing blow. We were lifted almost out of the water and men below were badly knocked about."

The Lowdeck arrived in port with part of her machinery disabled. Her crew of 13 were unhurt.

The Aberdeen trawler Viking Deeps was bombed for half an hour, but the only result was a cracked pipe caused by concussion. When the crew tried to launch a boat the Germans machine-gunned them.

LADY HALIFAX

AND SON IN ROME

LADY HALIFAX, wife of the British Foreign Secretary, and her son Richard, arrived here by train from London this evening, on a private visit.

They were greeted by the British Ambassador, Sir Percy Lorraine, and the Counsellor of the Embassy, Sir Noel Charles, and Lady Charles.

UNANIMOUS VOTE FOR M. DALADIER

Paris, Saturday.

By a unanimous vote of 534, the French Chamber this evening expressed its confidence in M. Daladier and his Government.

The vote was taken in public, following four secret sessions at which the conduct of the war was discussed. The Presidents of every group in the Chamber signed the motion proclaiming confidence in M. Daladier, which was read by M. Herriot, President of the Chamber, as soon as the public session had been resumed at 6.25 p.m.

The motion runs:—"The Chamber, after having heard the statements of the Government, which it had been asked to make during a secret session in a debate characterised by a high sentiment of patriotism, pays tribute to the efforts which the Government has continued to make, and to the great heroism of our armies, and expresses its confidence that the Government, in co-operation with Parliament, will prosecute the war to victory."—Reuter.

60 MEN FIGHT BATTLE WITH MACHINE-GUNS

Paris, Saturday.

FORBACH, which before the war was a thriving little industrial town of 12,000 inhabitants, has been the scene of a lively patrol encounter between French and German troops.

A French patrol of about 30 men was moving cautiously on the outskirts of the town when a German patrol of about the same size suddenly appeared.

Both sides took what cover they could and opened fire with machine-guns. The fight raged until dusk.

The French lost about ten men, while the Germans lost about 15.

Last night's French communiqué stated: "A quiet day on the whole. Some shots were exchanged between the casemates on the banks of the Rhine."

Alien Brides: Home Office Warning

SUPERINTENDENT registrars have been warned to be on their guard against marriages arranged by alien women for the purpose of acquiring British nationality. Marriage notices which arouse suspicion are to be reported to the Home Office at once.

Since the war started a number of foreign women have attempted to provide themselves with British husbands in the belief that such marriages would protect them against the possibility of deportation or internment.

This method, however, will not safeguard their liberty. Under the Defence Regulations the Home Secretary has powers to intern women who have become British subjects in this way.

(1) To embarrass, by political tactics, the British Government in its conduct of the war;

(2) To undermine the morale of British civilians; and

(3) To fake political crises in order to weaken the determination of Britain to fight on to victory.

Semi-Communist and pro-Soviet organisations are also the subject of investigation by the Special Branch. In addition, German, Austrian and Czech refugees with Communist sympathies are being watched.

When, a few days ago, Paris police raided the Soviet trading organisation and the Soviet Travel Bureau, their action came as no surprise to the British authorities.

WORKING HAND-IN-GLOVE

It is known in London that Communists and Soviet citizens in Britain have secret lines of communication between England and Moscow, and that, under the terms of the German-Soviet Pact, any information reaching Moscow through these channels is passed on to Berlin.

That is why Berlin is working hand-in-glove with Moscow to stir up trouble in Britain. And this in the knowledge that some of the agitators, under instructions from Moscow, are refugees from the Reich.

I am told that attempts are being made among these refugees to organise them against Britain on the ground that Britain is fighting an "imperialistic war."

'ALIEN REDS 'ARRESTED

Already the activities of the Special Branch are bearing fruit. I understand that several of these Communist refugees have been arrested and will appear soon before the Aliens Tribunals.

BRITAIN AND FRANCE ARE NOT THE ONLY COUNTRIES CONCERNED ABOUT MOSCOW-INSPIRED PLOTS. YESTERDAY, ON THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT, RAIDS WERE CARRIED OUT ON COMMUNIST NEWSPAPER OFFICES IN STOCKHOLM, GÖTEBORG, LULEÅ AND BODEN.

Documents were seized and correspondence removed. Later the homes of Communist leaders were visited and a number of suspected people arrested.

Good
Morning
Everybody



Soldiers, Sailors Warned

"BEWARE OF WOMEN SPIES"

SPECIAL BRANCH OFFICIALS OF SCOTLAND YARD ARE CO-OPERATING WITH M.I.5 TO PREVENT LEAKAGE OF INFORMATION TO THE ENEMY.

Commanding officers in the Army, Navy and Air Force have been instructed to hold anti-gossip parades and tell their men of the danger of talking to unknown women.

Some of the women may be German agents.

There are 36,000 women of German birth in this country. A few have been arrested under the defence regulations. Others are being watched.

It is known that vital information has been got out of the country and has reached Germany.

Most of the suspected women are in the London area. They frequent small hotels and dance halls, where they meet men home on leave. Some of them have joined the A.R.P. services.

Mine Drifts 20 Yards Off Shore

Crowds Hold Their Breath 8 Hours

CROWDS AT AN EAST COAST RESORT HELD THEIR BREATH FOR NEARLY EIGHT HOURS (METAPHORICALLY) YESTERDAY AS A MINE DRIFTED NEARER AND NEARER THE SHORE.

When only 20 yards away it became entangled in some wreckage and remained bobbing up and down, a silent menace to the town.

Onlookers, who included sailors and mine sweeping men home on leave, were warned to keep back. Householders were told to keep their windows open.

HOUSES SHAKEN
The anxiety continued as the tide turned and there was danger that the mine might break loose again and drift against the pier or near the town's most highly rated property.

Fortunately the ebbing tide left the mine high and dry. An expert immediately set to work removing the horns.

The blowing up of German mines only a few miles from the shore was seen by people living at a South East Coast town in the afternoon.

As the mines were destroyed shops and houses were shaken by the violence of the explosions, but no damage was done.

POSTCARD which his brother has received from Petty Officer Abert Webster, of the Starfish, now a prisoner of war in Germany, confirms that the crew of the submarine were saved.

The postcard, which begins with the request to see that his mother wants for nothing "till I've finished my holiday," adds:—

"We got bumped off in the Heligoland Bight, but the crew were saved. 'I'm well and very fit; but, oh, for an English pint and a salt beef dinner. Good luck and good health to all.' The message, addressed to Mr. Jack Webster, licensee of a Norwich hotel, is written on an official German postcard."

TODAY'S RADIO

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BIG CASH

CROSSWORDS

PAGE TWELVE

U.S. Mission Welcomed, But—

Nazis Must Be Crushed First

WARN
ALLIES

THE TWO U.S. PEACE MOVES OF FRIDAY NIGHT BROUGHT YESTERDAY A FRENCH SEMI-OFFICIAL STATEMENT THAT THE "CONSTANT PERIL" OF GERMANY MUST BE CRUSHED BEFORE THE REICH COULD JOIN ANY INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC SYSTEM AS THE U.S. ENVISAGED.

"NOT A YARD LOST"

—SAY FINNS

THE enemy has not advanced a yard on the Karelian Isthmus," said the Finns yesterday, in a fresh denial of Russian claims to have scored successes on the Isthmus.

An official Finnish communiqué said that north-east of Lake Ladoga about 800 more Russians had been killed.

In the first 10 weeks of the war Russia lost 327 aeroplanes, 594 tanks, one submarine and 206 heavy guns.

Yesterday's Moscow communiqué said: "There is nothing of importance to report. Repeated enemy attempts to regain their lost position on the Karelian Isthmus have been beaten off with large enemy losses."

(B.T.P., Reuter and Exchange messages.)
(Bayonets Repel Russians—Page Sixteen.)

LORD TWEEDSMUIR

IT was announced yesterday that the condition of Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada, showed "a slight but definite improvement" during the night.

He remains unconscious, however, and his condition must still be considered critical.

Lord Tweedsmuir, who is sixty-four and won fame as John Buchan's author, has undergone two operations at the Montreal Neurological Institute to relieve brain concussion, the result of a fall at Government House Ottawa, last Tuesday.

The statement said that Mr. Sumner Welles would be welcomed on his mission to seek information in warring Europe for President Roosevelt and Mr. Cordell Hull, but commented more coolly on the State Department's announcement of diplomatic conversations on economic and disarmament problems with a view to the eventual restoration of world peace.

"England and France," the statement said, "are now seeking by the victory of their arms to obtain material and positive guarantees of peace without which no stable organisation of international relations could be established either in the political or economic field."

"Positive guarantees were a necessary preliminary to negotiations, the statement added.

Referring to the U.S. attitude, Mr. Cordell Hull emphasised in Washington yesterday that peace and economic sanity in the post-war period were the objectives of the discussions now under way between the United States and other neutral nations.

WHAT U.S. IS DOING

The visit of Mr. Sumner Welles to Europe was being made with the same objectives he added.

Mr. Hull said that America had been doing everything possible to keep alive one basic idea, namely, formulas and programmes relating to a sound and stable period of international relations after the European war had ended.

The keystone of the policy, he said, was, firstly, halting and curtailment of armaments, and secondly, adoption by all nations of sound and liberal commercial policies.

Mr. Hull declared that it was necessary for the world to achieve those objectives if there were to be economic sanity in the post-war period, rather than economic autarchy and totalitarianism.

The Secretary of State hoped there would be definite understandings or even commitments evolved then, vitally necessary for a peaceful world. Mr. Hull conferred with Mr. William Bullitt, the U.S. Ambassador to Paris, for half an hour just before making his statement.

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TABLETS OR POWDERS

Home Secretary Said "No" BUT THEY STILL WANT PEER'S SON

—As Police Chief

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Bedford, Saturday.

UNDAUNTED BY THE REFUSAL OF THE HOME SECRETARY, SIR JOHN ANDERSON, TO SANCTION THE APPOINTMENT OF A FORMER NAVAL OFFICER AS THE CHIEF CONSTABLE OF BEDFORDSHIRE, THE BEDFORDSHIRE STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE STILL WISH TO APPOINT HIM.

At a private meeting today the Committee decided to ask the Home Secretary to grant a personal interview to the man of their choice.

Out of 112 applicants, including several chief constables, they had decided to appoint Commander R. D. Coleridge, R.N., Ret., son of Lord and Lady Coleridge.

The Press were excluded from to-day's meeting, but a member of the committee said afterwards: "The committee still hope to see Commander Coleridge appointed and Sir John Anderson is to be asked to give him a personal interview."

Commander Coleridge, who is thirty-four, was invalided from the Navy last July, and has since been gaining experience of police work under the Chief Constable of West Sussex.

The position carries a salary of £800, rising to £1,000, excluding allowances for car and house.

LOVE'S TRIUMPH

A couple who broke off their engagement in September, 1938, have become engaged again and are to be married shortly.

They are Capt. Richard Hawkesley Burbury, Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, and Miss Daphne MacNaghton, of Pinemount Lodge, Camberley.

Faster And Better Planes For Our Growing Air-Might

CALL OF THE SEA

Finest Men Need Best Machines Says Minister

THOUGH BRITAIN HAS EVERY REASON TO BE PROUD OF THE SUCCESSES OF HER AIRMEN IN AIR BATTLES WITH THE GERMANS, THE R.A.F. ARE TO HAVE STILL FASTER AND BETTER ARMED MACHINES.

This was announced by Sir Kingsley Wood, the Air Minister, at Bristol yesterday, speaking of the growth and formidability of the British Empire air power.

"It is but right," he said, "that the R.A.F., which contains in its ranks the finest airmen in the world, of indomitable courage, should have the finest and most powerful, up-to-date machines."

"We must and shall win this war. All those who understand this life-and-death struggle will realise we cannot omit from our armoury any legitimate weapon."

"Exercise of our sea power and the use of the economic weapon entail inconvenience and even at times hardship for neutral States."

"We sincerely regret it, but we urge them to ponder the alternative of the whole of Europe suffering the unspeakable horrors which are even now being perpetrated on the unhappy Polish people."

"We, with our gallant Allies, France and Poland, are fighting things evil—outrages against the spirit and the soul of men and women which transcend all other things."

"We are fighting for a real peace. International order and decency, determined to secure the world against the possibility of a repetition of the atrocities and inhumanities which have repelled and shocked mankind."

"It is no wonder there is uneasiness in Germany," Sir Kingsley went on. "Prolonged repression and individual privations do not make for confidence and gaiety."

"Germany's deteriorating financial and economic position cannot provoke anything but serious concern among many of her people."

WISHBONES NOT BACKBONES
Sir Kingsley warned his hearers against being deluded by the comparative inactivity of the moment. Nor should they minimise the power of the relentless enemy who may strike at any point suddenly.

"We must always be prepared and ready. This was no time for self-satisfaction. Wishbones were no substitute for backbones."

"Our Navy have shown once again that they never will lose the touch of Drake and Nelson. The stranglehold on Germany is being steadily maintained, and despite the inhumanities she is perpetrating every day the supremacy at sea of the Allied navies remains unimpaired."

R.A.F. SUCCESSES

"Many of the R.A.F. have given a great and gallant account of themselves in combat with the German Air Force but it was not surprising that that part of our Air Force which has been engaged in pitched battles has shot down many more enemy aircraft than we have lost," he went on.

"The toll our airmen take is often heavier than official reports reveal. Many enemy machines damaged in fights were later found not to have reached Germany."

"The first half of January provided the most severe flying weather ever known, but there was no halt in the vital work of the Coastal Command."

"As an example of the difficulty of making our airmen talk of their feats, Sir Kingsley Wood said that after a fierce engagement the other day, one wrote simply in his log: 'Fire and bombing practice—Hellgoland.'"

"The German airman emulates his naval confederate in ruthless and murderous attack on merchant ships. He does not discriminate between British or neutral vessels."

"He obviously prefers those vessels which cannot defend themselves. We can mark the depths of infamy to which the German Air Force has fallen when its airmen are employed to machine-gun and bomb helpless fishermen and to continue to attack the men struggling for their lives in the icy seas."

"The enemy is not out to fight. As soon as he sees one of our fighters he darts into the clouds and makes for home at top speed."

£6,000,000 ORDERS

The great Empire air scheme was an outstanding feature of the war, Sir Kingsley said.

"I am glad to say that not only are we employing on a considerable scale Canadian aircraft firms in the production of different type aircraft, but the group organisation established as a result of the mission to Canada in 1938 has now been widely extended and entrusted with £6,000,000 further orders for aircraft of the latest type."

"The war in the air had demonstrated the superiority of many of our machines. We could not rest on what we had achieved, but must go on every day perfecting present types and introducing others with even higher speed, longer range and better armament."

"We had doubled the numerical output of aircraft in a year."

"Many new factories will shortly be coming into production, and there were many extensions of the present ones. Sub-contracting will again be very considerably extended."

"All this will need much more labour and give increased employment."

BOATLOAD OF GERMANS

Trieste, Saturday.

An Italian motor-ship has arrived here with 462 Germans from Tanganyika. Germans of old families who settled in what was previously German Africa. The majority are women and children.

They are going direct to Germany.



Civilians with sea experience have been training at H.M.S. King Alfred as cadets, and here they are before passing out as temporary officers of the Royal Navy.

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RUNNERS-UP TO GET CASH

TODAY "THE PEOPLE" HAS PLEASURE IN ANNOUNCING A REMARKABLE NEW OFFER IN CONNECTION WITH ITS FAMOUS FAIR-FOR-ALL CROSSWORD CONTEST.

In this single-week competition, the magnificent prize of £1,500 awaits competitors—and this award must be won!

There is a £1,250 cash first prize; £200 to be divided up between first runners-up; and second runners-up will share goods to the value of £50.

No more attractive or profitable way to employ one's leisure in these black-out evenings could be imagined. All those readers who in the past have found themselves "in the money" with "The People" Crosswords can testify to the fascination of this simple competition.

Some idea of the country-wide popularity of the contest may be gained from a glance at the results of No. 186.

The big prize of £1,250 is shared by three readers living in districts as far apart as Bournemouth, Plymouth and Leeds.

£1,250, the amount of the cash first prize now offered, would be welcome to most of us at any time.

HELP FOR YOU

There is no reason why you should not realise your dreams of prosperity by entering for this money-spinning contest. Turn to Page Twelve, and there you will find the details and the rules which may help you to join the happy band of prizewinners.

Crossword entry vouchers will help you to avoid little irritations like the journey to your local post office in the black-out.

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Send to the Competition Department, "The People," 6, La Belle Sauvage, Ludgate Circus, E.C.4, for a book of these useful vouchers.

Another "People" Crossword service that has proved a boon to competitors is "The Competitors' World," a free weekly magazine published solely to help our readers in their efforts to capture the first prize.

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CROSSWORD No. 186

In connection with Crossword No. 186, the Adjudication Committee decided that the senders of the most meritorious sets of answers on one square were the following three competitors, who submitted squares differing at one point only from the Committee's decision (see below):—

Mrs. E. Dunderdale, 4, Norman View, Abbey-rd., Kirkstall, Leeds 5.

Mrs. D. Read, 1, Elizabeth-place, Plymouth.

Miss E. Stickland, 83, Gladstone-rd., Boscombe, Bournemouth.

Subject to the terms and conditions of the competition, these competitors share

"THE PEOPLE'S" CROSSWORD No. 186

The most meritorious answers used by competitors decided according to aptness and accuracy by the Adjudication Committee were those shown in the square below.

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WOMEN M.P.s EXPECT A VALENTINE

WOMEN M.P.s WANT A SPECIAL "VALENTINE" FROM CAPT. CROOKSHANKS, FINANCIAL SECRETARY TO THE TREASURY, NEXT WEDNESDAY.

Captain Crookshanks is a bachelor, and the women M.P.s have arranged to meet him in Whitehall.

They will ask him to give educated women some of the "key-posts" in the new Ministries.

Wednesday is St. Valentine's Day, and Captain Crookshanks is a very gallant young Minister. So the women are hoping.

BRITAIN CAN'T AFFORD TO BE INTIMIDATED

New York, Saturday.

"THE Irish ought at least to realise that crime cannot be forgiven merely because Irishmen are the criminals, and that Britain is now fighting for its life and cannot afford to be intimidated either by bombers or by Irish sentiment," writes the "Baltimore Sun."

The Detroit News writes: "There is a Macedonian comitadj flavour in the arguments of the I.R.A. and their acts. What they fail to realise is that their methods will merely strengthen the determination of England to keep and defend Ulster."—Reuter.



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says Mrs. Hughes of Danbury, Essex



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Mrs. Hughes adds: "This is the simple Oxydol washing method that washes my clothes whiter than ever."

- 1 Simply fill the copper or tub with medium hot water.
- 2 Sprinkle in enough Oxydol to wash up into good latherly suds. You only need a little.
- 3 Let your clothes soak for 15 minutes. Then rinse in the usual way. Hang on the line and you'll be amazed how dazzling white your wash will dry—whiter than ever before!

After doing the weekly wash, Mrs. Hughes actually has enough Oxydol left in her package to do all these varied washing jobs as well!

Washed hall and stairs paintwork. Scrubbed kitchen floor and table. Washed a loose cover. Washed 4 china candlesticks. Washed 2 blankets. Week's washing-up.

Penny for penny you can do twice as much washing with Oxydol! Change to Oxydol—and save!

"TWINKLE, TWINKLE LITTLE STARS!"

That's what Mrs. Hughes says about this trick. She adds: "Oxydol is safer than anything for keeping all coloured fabrics bright as new, wash after wash! A quick wash through for delicate things—a 10-minute soak for heavier coloureds—and they're done!"

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When you come to wash coloured fabrics, you'll find that Oxydol is by far the safest way to keep the colours bright as new, wash after wash. And—a final tip from women who know—glass and china washed in hot Oxydol suds dry sweeter and more sparkling than you've ever known before. Change to this amazing Oxydol today!



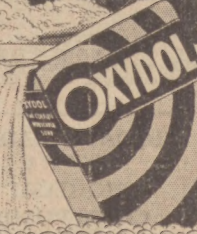
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CURRENCY SWINDLE TO GET CREDIT

"Love-Line" Records

Stoker Clarke Beats The Lot

PRIVATE N. PARKER, OF UPPER TOOTING, IS NOT THE ONLY PERFECT SOLDIER HUSBAND. "THE PEOPLE" TOLD LAST WEEK HOW HE AND HIS WIFE HAVE CORRESPONDED EVERY DAY SINCE PRIVATE PARKER WAS RECALLED TO HIS REGIMENT LAST AUGUST.

Since then many proud wives have written to tell us of their "love-line" records.

Can anyone beat the Clarks, of Wallasey? While he was in the Navy from 1926 to 1938, Leading-Stoker Clarke never missed sending a daily letter to his wife.

He spent nearly £30 on stamps for more than 4,400 letters, and frequently, just to prove that he had not forgotten her, wrote Mrs. Clarke two letters a day. Leading Letter Writer Clarke was called up again last August, and he's already worn out several pens writing to the missus each day.

STILL TREASURED

During the last war Mrs. E. J. Pothecary, now a widow, of Milford-bldgs., Walham Green, received a letter a day from her husband from 1914 to 1918.

This is wonderful because he was with the 60th Division and went from France to Salonika and thence to Egypt, she writes. "I still treasure those letters."

Mr. Edward Grundy, who is in a North of England military hospital being treated for last war wounds, gets a letter a day from his wife in Wolverhampton.

"And when I went away for 360 days some years ago, I wrote her 360 letters," he says.

Nineteen-years-old Mrs. John Wenham, of New Park-rd., Brixton Hill, was the sweetheart of a Militiaman who was called up last July.

"Now we are man and wife, not a day passes without us corresponding," she writes. "My husband may go abroad soon, but I am being brave because I believe in the motto, 'Our love will carry us through.'"

ERRATIC POST

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stubbs, married nearly twenty years, of the Crescent, Leek, Staffs., have corresponded every day since Mr. Stubbs was called up in September.

But, as in the case of others, their letters have not arrived regularly because posts have been erratic.

Other wives who receive daily letters from husbands in the Services include: Mrs. L. D. Andrews, of Wemdon-rd., Bridgwater; Mrs. W. Smith, of Beechway, Twickenham, Middlesex; and Mrs. Atkinson, of Mathan-grove, East Dulwich.

A proud mother also puts forward a claim. Mrs. Ellen Mitchell, of Anfield, Liverpool, has received from, and sent to, her eldest son a letter every day since he joined the Militia in July, last year.

JAY-WALKERS ON FROZEN MINEFIELDS

"DON'T tread on the minefields!" is the latest warning to Danish jaywalkers. Strange as it sounds, it is issued in all seriousness because people are in danger of being mined through strolling over the frozen sea.

The freakish cold spell in Denmark has now set up a new record with 45 degrees of frost on the island of Funen.

People have been seen walking over the ice-bound sea between Denmark and Sweden southward towards Germany. Hence the Danish Navy's official warning about minefields.

All traffic, it is officially announced, is suspended between the island of Sealand and the other islands on which Copenhagen is built, because the ice renders the channels impassable.

Measures to save fuel are being enforced, as colliers which should have arrived are still frozen into the ice.

Already central heating is restricted and Danes are forbidden to take baths. Copenhagen's 100 churches are ordered to close. Tram and suburban railway services are cut down and taxis are subject to restrictions.

50 SHIPS ICE-JAMMED

Norway is also experiencing intense cold. Fifty ships, including eight bringing badly-needed coal supplies, are ice-jammed.

The cold is increasing, and the sea temperature is so low that fish are unable to live within 60 ft. of the surface.

Holland, too, is in the grip of a freeze-up. News that the Rhine has risen over 4 ft. at Cologne, say the experts, means that the pressure will probably loosen the colossal ice-floes which are blocking the Dutch rivers and will drive them down to the sea. If this does not happen, extremely serious flooding will result.

Ships, embankments, quays and cranes are being badly damaged by the passing ice-floes. Small vessels are being squeezed either right out of the rivers, crushed and sunk, or raised high on top of the icebergs.—Reuter and British United Press.

FORGERY PLANT IS TURNING OUT DUD NOTES

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

NAZI GERMANY'S ATTEMPT TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM OF OBTAINING FOREIGN CREDITS BY FORGING VARIOUS CURRENCIES HAS RESULTED IN POLICE ACTIVITY IN A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES.

The plan is simple. U.S. dollars and other currencies are counterfeited by a huge forgery plant. Then specially selected agents are sent to various countries to change the "dud" notes into bona-fide currency which is sent back to Germany.

Evidence of this international money swindle came to light when the Canadian police arrested Anna Shapitka, representative of the Nazi counterfeiting organisation. She had 225,000 counterfeit U.S. dollars in her possession when the police pounced.

REPORTS FROM BALKANS

Documents indicated that her job was to ensure that the faked notes—coming as they would from North America—would be passed off in the Balkans.

That discovery fits in with reports which have been received during the last few days from the Balkan States.

In RUMANIA hundreds of thousands of fake U.S. dollars are in circulation, and all bankers are having to present U.S. bank notes to the United States Consul-General before dealings can take place.

In YUGOSLAVIA thousands of 50-dinar pieces, worth about 5s., and faked 100-dinar and 500-dinar notes, are also in circulation.

These are being put into circulation by emissaries of the Nazi Party, 20 a day of whom regularly arrive in the country from Germany in order to carry out this traffic.

The Polish Government in Paris has also broadcast and published in other ways a report that the Germans are counterfeiting zloty notes on a large scale in the occupied part of Poland. The Polish Government in Paris has warned all Poles and financial houses in all parts of the world that when it returns to power these bogus notes will not be honoured.

1,000 VICTIMS IN TERROR "DRIVE"

Oslo, Saturday.

MORE than a thousand Poles, including several former Generals and prominent journalists, are believed to be dead following mass arrests by the Nazis in Poland, states a report from Prague published by the Norwegian newspaper "Arbeiderbladet" today.

By these terrorist methods of mass executions and arrests the Nazis hope to suppress all opposition in the occupied regions, the paper adds.—Reuter.

GERMANY ANNOUNCES "LAST FOUR" NAMES

Berlin, Saturday.

What were stated to be the last four names of British submarine survivors in Germany were announced by the Ham-burg wireless last night. They are:—

Petty Officer Winston Church, RJ 109459, born at Portsmouth, May, 1908; Leading Stoker F. Brooks, KX 8951, born at Oldsbury, Birmingham, January, 1917; Leading Signalmen A. E. R. Jenkins, SJK 132180, born at St. Leonards, Herefordshire, June, 1912; Leading Signalmen R. Masterman, BUX 13411, born at Honeybrook, Wimb-orne, Dorset, December 30, 1913.—B.U.P.

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U.S. PEACE MOVES

Answering questions, Mr. Cordell Hull said he had heard no suggestion that the present informal discussions among the neutrals might be transformed into a conference of neutral nations or the formation of a neutral bloc designed to promote any specific programme.

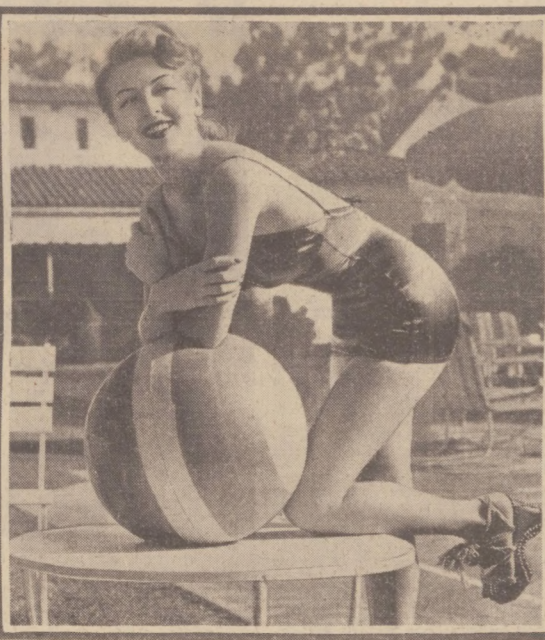
(A.P. messages.)

Although the German Press yesterday was silent in regard to the U.S. move, Herr Hitler (says B.U.P.) is understood to have returned to Berlin yesterday after a short absence and to have been informed immediately of the visit which Mr. Sumner Welles is to pay to Europe as well as about the statements by President Roosevelt and Mr. Cordell Hull.

It is believed that Herr Hitler discussed the subject with several of his closest advisers.

Political circles in Berlin declare (according to Reuter) that at present no statement can be made with regard to the impending visit of Mr. Welles; and B.U.P. correspondent reports that a canvass of Berlin's financial and industrial circles has revealed a widespread knowledge of the visit, despite the fact that so far the Press has not mentioned it.

Almost without exception, adds the correspondent, the visit is heartily welcomed, although there are no illusions as to the difficulty of reconciling the German with the British and



Beach ball for a beach belle! A one-piece swimming suit of flame-red satin, with a heart-shaped bodice is the latest seaside wear worn by Lana Turner, the M-G-M screen player.

Boys In Billets

ONE "HAD TO FETCH THE BEER"

From Our Own Correspondent

Croydon, Saturday.

PARENTS of boys of Selhurst Grammar School, at a meeting at Croydon today, criticised billets at Brighton occupied by their sons, and urged that the school be re-opened.

It was stated that in some cases parents had to pay as much as £1 a week supplementary allowance.

One mother, a widow, said that because she could not afford the extra sum demanded her son was in a poor home, where he had to perform such tasks as fetching the beer. Councillor Regan said Brighton people were making a good thing out of evacuation.

In September they were glad of something to tide them over their slack season, and received the children with open arms, but it was a very different tale now.

VATICAN CEREMONY

Vatican City, Saturday.

A solemn ceremony was held at St Paul's this morning in commemoration of the first anniversary of the death of Pope Pius XI.

It's "Measly"

And German!

A MILD EPIDEMIC OF GERMAN MEASLES HAS BROKEN OUT IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE COUNTRY. SO FAR THE SUFFERERS ARE MOSTLY ADULTS.

One doctor who is treating many patients in South-West London told "The People" yesterday that epidemics of German measles, like influenza epidemics, often come in cycles.

"I was discussing the question with some medical friends the other day, and we were agreed that the next epidemic of German measles was due about next year," he said.

"That means that the present epidemic has come a year too soon, so it must have been specially sent over by the Germans, out of spite!" German measles is not a notifiable disease, and though highly infectious is not at all serious.

The symptoms, usually mild, may be accompanied by headache, sore throat and slight fever. There is also swelling of the glands at the back of the neck, and the spots are light pink compared with the deep red rash of ordinary measles.

The chief thing is to keep the patient warm in bed for seven days and to avoid risks of his getting a chill.

After 10 days the patient is considered free from infection, though the quarantine period for contacts is 21 days.

WEALTH IN REFUSE-BINS

WEALTH will be retrieved from what is now, too often, merely waste under a scheme devised by the Ministry of Supply.

Honorary expert advisers to help the campaign to salvage useful material from household refuse have been appointed by the Ministry.

They are municipal officers with experience of salvage work, and they will assist local authorities in organising this war time effort.

Districts already covered by the plan include the Metropolitan boroughs, 37 counties in England and Wales, and 22 Scottish counties.

One Defeat, And—

REBELLION WILL FINISH HITLER

New York, Saturday.

DECLARING that anti-Hitler sentiment in Austria is growing, the "Chicago Times" writes: "The overthrow of Hitler is being planned in Austria."

The writer adds: "Archduke Felix, of that country, has asserted in New York that 'two underground movements, one Socialist and led by working men who want their former rights restored, and the other led by democratic legitimist fighting front Monarchists, will be at the back of this revolution.'"

"The moment Hitler receives his first defeat a revolution will start in Austria and Germany. It will be most rampant in Austria, where 90 per cent. of six and a half million people are greatly dissatisfied with present conditions."

ALLIES' VAST RESOURCES

The Tacoma "New Tribune" reports that the Dean of Washington University, in a lecture, declared:—

"The Allies have in their favour world opinion, the great British Fleet, the French Army and Maginot Line, pooled air forces, pooled economic resources and a strategic position throughout the world."

"Germany has as liabilities world public opinion, no navy, and difficulties with occupied areas which have subtracted thousands of men by garrisons and secret police in Bohemia, Moravia and Poland."—Reuter.

25 SAVED FROM

BRITISH STEAMER

New York, Saturday.

TWENTY-FIVE of the crew of the British steamer Sea Rambler, which sent out an SOS yesterday, have been rescued by two Norwegian vessels, according to a wireless message picked up in New York today.

The message came from the Norwegian steamer Modale, and said she had rescued 13 of the crew, while the Norwegian ship Kais Knudsen had rescued 12 others.

The Sea Rambler (2,327 tons), registered at Dover, sent out a distress message yesterday, giving a position near the Azores, and saying "Have to with hatch stove in. Taking water."—B.U.P.

Especially at this time of the year — Inner Cleanliness comes first!

Excuse me—When days are cold, many prefer Andrews with the chill off!



WHATEVER the weather, Inner Cleanliness must come first if you want to keep fit, and guard against seasonal illness. Following the simple health-rule of "Andrews for Inner Cleanliness," many prefer it with the chill off when mornings are cold. They just add a little warm water to the cold. See how Andrews does its purifying work!—

FIRST... Andrews cleans the mouth and tongue.

NEXT... Andrews settles the stomach and corrects acidity, the chief cause of indigestion.

THEN... Andrews tones up the liver and checks biliousness.

FINALLY... To complete your Inner Cleanliness Andrews gently clears the bowels. It sweeps away trouble-making poisons, corrects constipation and purifies the blood.

Refreshing Andrews is more than an excellent laxative; it has stomach-settling and "tonic" effects, too. The result is healthy, daily Inner Cleanliness, so necessary for every man, woman and child. "Andrews for Inner Cleanliness" is a health-rule worth following. Take it regularly, as often as you find you need it. Get a tin for yourself.

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Probably not one in ten could guess her real age. Her complexion is flawless—her figure still neat and trim—and she's every bit as active and happy as when she was a girl.

You, too, can look years younger than you really are and enjoy the blessing of perfect health by taking Bile Beans at bedtime each night.

Bile Beans are purely vegetable. They tone up the system, eliminate daily all harmful waste, and counteract any tendency to put on weight.

So, start taking Bile Beans tonight if you would be really youthful, attractive and slim.

BILE BEANS

Keep You Youthful, Healthy and Slim

"A friend whom I had not met for years, told me the other day that I looked younger than ever. I am delighted with Bile Beans. My health is now splendid and I can walk miles without fatigue. When people ask me what I take to keep so slim and well, I tell them just Bile Beans every night." Mrs. M. H. Manchester.

"A doctor asked what made me look so young. When I told him Bile Beans he said I couldn't take anything finer. My health is wonderfully improved since taking them." Mrs. B. B. Southsea.



So lovely every evening together. Tim's had a big salary cut. Poor darling, he's so sweet about it. Last week he saved 3s every day on bus fares so he could bring me a box of my favourite Black Magic when he came tonight. Those centres are heavenly!

The lightest of truffles hides between layers of delicious nougatine in Truffle Nougat. It's just one of the eleven luxury centres in Black Magic chocolates.

An explanation...

What is the secret of Black Magic? It's the eleven gorgeous centres. No other chocolates at the price can be compared to them. And here's the reason. Rowntree's pack Black Magic in smart black boxes—they waste no money on extravagant tinfoil or decoration. That means that all the value goes into the chocolates themselves. And so you can buy these simply marvellous chocolates—equal in quality to chocolates sold for at least 5/- a pound—for only 2/10 a pound. Try them!

FOR THE BEST ASSORTMENTS IN THE BEST CONDITION BUY BOXED CHOCOLATES



AS Hammer SEES IT

IF IN WAR, YOU LOSE A TOWN, YOU CALL IT A VILLAGE. IF THE ENEMY CAPTURES A VILLAGE, THEY CALL IT A TOWN. YOU ALWAYS MENTION THE ENEMY'S LOSSES AND LEAVE IT TO THE ENEMY TO TALK OF YOURS. IF YOU ARE DRIVEN BACK, IT IS A TACTICAL RETREAT. IF THE ENEMY RETREATS, YOU HAVE SCORED A GREAT VICTORY.

I say this, not in criticism of the Finns, who have behaved, in writing their communiqués, just like other nations, but in explanation.

We have been reading, for weeks, of Red losses, of captures from the Russians, and with such regularity that the public fail to realise that the Finns may, without adequate help, soon reach an almost desperate position.

Heroic beyond words, with soldiers led by superb strategy, they are a small nation fighting a big one. The need of Finland is great, urgent, insistent.

Sir Walter Citrine, just back from the Karelian battlefield, says: "If the Finns get the help they need, I, for one, am not ready to predict a Russian triumph at all."

But if you read the words carefully, even those are not optimistic. "If the Finns get the help they need." Will they get it?

One Excuse After Another

MEANWHILE, the plight of Communists in Britain is a strange one. Because Stalin started it, Russia's hypocritical war on Finland is a just one, they say.

They find themselves forced to attack Mannerheim's Fascist tendencies in the past, compelled to excuse, or deny, the bombing of working-class homes.

Our war with Germany was a just one, in their view—until Stalin and Von Ribbentrop made a pact. Then our defence of civilisation from Nazism became an "imperialist war."

All aggression is wrong, never mind who starts it. That, hitherto, has been part of Communist teaching, just as it was Christian teaching, and common-sense.

Now, in Communist eyes, Stalin's imperialistic aims take on the form of a sort of holiness.

Who cares, today, about Mannerheim's past, or present, political views? He is Finland's best soldier, and, as such, is leading an army in which advanced Left thinkers are sharing as volunteers, the perils of the firing-line with Finns who belong to the Right and the Centre.

I am not concerned, today, about Ironside's politics, or Gort's. Nor do I know them. They must be judged by their conduct of the war. So will History judge Mannerheim.

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TWO GIRL STARS OF TOMORROW

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The FIGHTING

A NON-COMBATANT, Edward Noel Mellish, chaplain of H.M. Forces during the Great War, yet possessed the courageous heart of a first-class fighting man.

And a fighter, indeed, he was, though the arm he carried was a Prayer Book instead of a sword.

He won his V.C. in No-Man's Land, and the story of how he did so is one of the most inspiring in the annals of the British Army.

By PIERS ENGLAND

"IT MADE US THINK A BIT MORE OF PARSONS TO SEE HOW HE WALKED QUIETLY UNDER FIRE..." THAT SIMPLE TRIBUTE FROM THE LIPS OF A SOLDIER PROBABLY WAS TREASURED MORE BY THE REV. EDWARD NOEL MELLISH, V.C., THAN ALL THE HONOURS THAT WERE SHOWERED UPON HIM. AS LONG AGO AS THE SOUTH AFRICAN WAR, IN WHICH HE SERVED AS A TROOPER WITH BADEN-POWELL'S POLICE, SOMEONE DESCRIBED HIM AS "THE BRAVEST MAN I KNOW."

As a chaplain in the Great War he was awarded the Victoria Cross and the Military Cross for his bravery, and was later mentioned in dispatches.

Yet today, going among his people in the quiet little Essex parish of which he is the vicar, I'll warrant that this stalwart, 6-ft. padre hero remembers with greater pride than anything else those words:

"It made us think a bit more of parsons..."

It was during the desperate fighting around the village of St. Eloi, on the Ypres-Arras road, in March, 1918, that Captain Mellish performed the gallant deeds that won for him the distinction of being the first chaplain to win the Victoria Cross in the war.

Only one other clergyman had been awarded the decoration before. He was James William Adams, the tough Irishman they called the "Fighting Parson," who, in the Afghan War of 1879, went to the aid of two Lancers who had been thrown from their horses during a charge.

Captain Mellish is a Londoner, an old Saffron Walden Grammar School boy, who had an adventurous career in South Africa before he finally turned to the Church and was ordained two years before the war. He was then thirty-two.

As a trooper in the South African War he did a good deal of blockhouse and frontier work, earning the reputation of being a fearless fighter.

Once when he and his comrades were trapped by Boers in a lonely farmhouse, he volunteered for the perilous task of endeavouring to break through to summon help.

The men who watched him go thought he was facing certain death. There did not seem one chance in a hundred of a man running the Boer gauntlet. But Mellish succeeded.

Then, having delivered the SOS, he turned and went back alone over the same dangerous route to bring the news

to the besieged party that help was on the way.

After the war he worked for a time in a Jagersfontein diamond mine, and it was here that his thoughts turned for the first time to the Church. He began by assisting at the native mission, eventually becoming so interested in the work that he gave up his job and returned to England to study for Holy Orders.

In 1912 he became curate of a poor and overcrowded parish in East London, where he took over an old public-house behind a music-hall and converted it into a boys' club. And there every evening he took off his dog collar and taught the slum lads how to box and the value of physical fitness.

But soon after the outbreak of war he grew restless. He had been a soldier before he became a curate, and the old urge to be in the struggle returned. So he left the East End and took a commission as chaplain to the forces. His fighting days might be over, but there was still work to be done and a way in which he could serve.

Terrific Struggle

It was towards the end of March, 1918, that the village of St. Eloi, often the scene of wild fighting, again became the centre of a terrific struggle as the British troops began a "big push" to thrust the enemy back from the strongly entrenched positions they then occupied.

Canadians were fighting side by side with the English Tommies, but the brunt of the battle was borne by the 1st Northumberland Fusiliers—the famous Fighting Fifth—and the 4th Royal Fusiliers, the battalion with which Mellish was serving.

Theirs was a task before which the bravest might well have hesitated. They had to attack across a wide stretch of open country, offering no cover, that was swept by a hail of rifle and machine-gun fire.

Moreover, the enemy trenches had been wired with such elaborate and fiendish cunning that it seemed impossible to reach them.

From behind their barbed wire the Germans waited confidently, ready to mow down the British under a withering fire if they attacked.

But they soon discovered that it took more than German wire and German lead to stop the fighting Fusiliers.

For all the world "like a football team rushing a goal at a Cup-tie," says one account, they charged, cutting their way through the entanglements and swarming down into the trenches where, although they were outnumbered by two to one, their bayonets drove the Germans out along a 600 yards front.

The toll was ghastly, for as they charged in face of that appalling barrage, the British left the field littered with dead and wounded.

For three days the battle raged, the Germans fighting back fiercely from their support trenches, pouring a continuous and terrible fire of lead and

shrapnel upon the stretch of country where our casualties lay helpless. St. Eloi was of tremendous strategic importance, and the enemy had no intention of relinquishing it without a bitter struggle, but the British boys hung on with grim determination, beating back one counter attack after another.

There were many heroes at St. Eloi. There was one young officer who risked death again and again on daring reconnoitring expeditions into the enemy territory, and there was a young fusilier who went to and fro under heavy fire to maintain communication with his battery when the phone wire was cut.

But bravest of them all was the tall, softly-spoken padre who, alone and without even a revolver by his side, repeatedly went out into the hell of death that rained down upon No-Man's-Land to rescue wounded men and minister to the dying.

It was no part of his duty to do so. He need not have stirred beyond the safety and security of the headquarters well behind the line, but when he knew that there were helpless soldiers in need out there he did not hesitate.

With a Prayer Book under his arm he walked across No-Man's-Land with bullets whistling about his head as calmly as if he had been walking to Sunday morning service in his old parish. He seemed to possess a charmed life, for not once during the three days did he receive so much as a scratch, although three times men whose wounds he was dressing were shot dead in his arms.

Concentrated Fire

On the first day he brought in ten badly wounded men from ground that was plastered with concentrated fire from German machine-gun nests. Careless of the fact that he took his life in his hands each time he ventured into the open he went out again on the next day, and, after several perilous excursions, brought in twelve more.

Even then he did not rest content, but on the third day of the fighting he headed a party of volunteers to rescue the remainder.

There have been few deeds of heroism to equal his. Remember that it was done, not in the heat of battle, but coolly and calmly when the danger was even greater, for most of the time he was a lone figure exposed to any enemy sharpshooter.

It was no wonder then that the men who owed their lives to him should have idolised him.

Perhaps the best story concerns a Cockney fusilier who had been carried to safety by the chaplain. He was the scoundrel of the battalion, a godless

"A Very Gallant Gentleman of God"

ruffian who openly expressed his contempt for anything to do with the Church.

But in hospital, telling for the twentieth time the story of the man who had risked his life to save him, he asked: "Ere, wot religion is this bloke?"

They told him, and thereupon he glared belligerently around the ward. "Well," he said at last, "I'm the same as 'im now, and the bloke as sez a word against our Church will 'ave 'is 'ead bashed in!"

Mellish, himself, has never talked of his exploit, but there is on record an eye-witness account given by a Fusilier officer who took part in the actual engagement.

"Nothing could be finer," said this officer, "than the way Chaplain Mellish did his duty—and more than his duty—during the time he was stationed near us."

"Immediately the troops captured the trenches and while the wounded men were being picked up the enemy's guns were turned on full blast and the intervening ground was deluged with shell fire and machine-

gun bullets, not to mention shells and grenades that came from a portion of trench still in the enemy's hands.

"Into this tempest of fire the brave parson walked, a Prayer Book under his arm, as though he were going on church parade in peace time. He reached the first batch of wounded and knelt down to do what he could for them.

Unceasing Efforts

"The first few men he brought in himself without any aid, and it made us think a bit more of parsons to see how he walked quietly under fire, assisting the slow-moving wounded and talking more of saving them from discomfort than of his own safety."

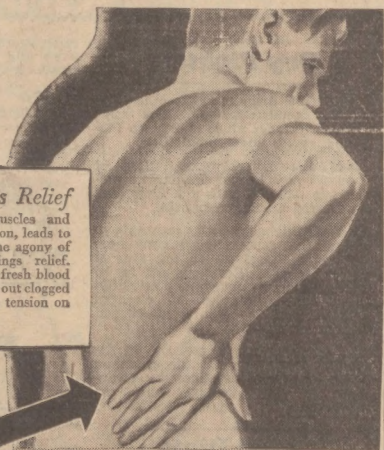
"It was only when ambulance parties were able to get out during a lull in the fighting that he took a rest."

"Next day he was out again on the job, as unconcerned as ever, and some men of my regiment had reason to be grateful to him. Many would never have survived the ordeal if it had not been for the prompt assistance rendered them by Mr. Mellish."

Two years later Captain Mellish was awarded the Military Cross for further gallantry in the field, but since the war he has avoided the limelight, living the uneventful daily round of vicar in a peaceful Essex parish.

THE REV. EDWARD NOEL MELLISH, V.C.

PADRE



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THE GREAT LEVELLER

By the People's Friend

The common danger we have been called upon to face, the irksome restrictions and inconveniences of these troubled times, have drawn us together.

Now we all are linked by one bond, sharing a mutual burden. Adversity, that great leveller, has made us one, raising the snobbish barriers between rich and poor, high and low.

Whether you are a duke or a dustman you still need a torch in the black-out! And the millionaire is issued with the same ration book as the labourer!

For war is a grim business that knows no distinctions between man and man. Take heart and courage from these things, my friends, for it is from this unity that victory will spring.

So it is up to each of us to do our part towards bringing this about. There must be no weak link in the chain of comradeship and good fellowship we must forge. It is the anchor line that will keep us from being swept away.

We can all help. We can all extend friendship's welcome hand to those we meet. We can all find someone to comfort and cheer.

Thus shoulder to shoulder we can take our stand, ready for whatever the future may hold, strong and supremely confident in the knowledge of our unity.

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Husband's fares and expenses	8	0	0
Shoes (mending, etc.)	3	0	0
Sundries	2	6	0
	43	15	0



He-men all, with he-men appetites! Mother's got a pretty hefty lot to feed, hasn't she?

Her family's war-time nourishment is no worry to Mrs. Guy now she's learned that ROWNTREE'S COCOA AID DIGESTION

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2. Is your complexion poor?
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4. Are the whites of your eyes muddy?
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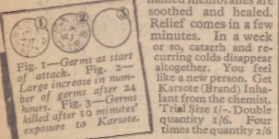
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"MAN O' THE PEOPLE" WRITES ON

LET'S TALK

"THINGS THAT MATTER TO YOU AND ME"



GOSSIP!
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IT OVER

ordinary people of every country; for their right to safety and to freedom and to simple happiness.

We are fighting for our lives, but we are also fighting to make life worth living.

To some of you the past week may have seemed "uneventful," but, in that case, you must have missed the significance of several important things.

In another page my colleague, "The Philosopher," is writing about the evacuation scheme, and so I will merely point out here that the Government's decision to send the children back to school again—however much it may deplore their return to the cities—is a welcome indication that it is facing the facts.

Facts, pleasant or unpleasant, have got to be faced in time of war. You know that meat rationing is to start on March 11, but that is good news, not bad.

The Germans have been rationed, and severely rationed, all along. We cannot expect in this country to live through the war on a peace-time diet. It simply can't be done, and, if we believe in fair play, we should be glad to accept restrictions which have nothing but fair play in view.

THE great Trade Unions are facing the facts of war in this spirit. They accept the urgent need of speeding-up the manufacture of munitions and, although it may mean dilution and the temporary abandonment of rights and privileges dearly won, they have promised the Government their whole-hearted co-operation.

Mr. Ernest Brown, or so it seemed to me after listening to his broadcast the other night, is facing the facts of unemployment. The Germans don't do that. They say that they have no unemployed; but it isn't true. As Mr. Brown pointed out, their builders and farm labourers are no more able than our own to work when the country is frost-bound.

That is one of the reasons that so many people actually seem "bored" by the most fearful war in the history of the world.

WE need to fight against war-time boredom, for it is a serious and infectious complaint. Hard work is its best antidote, and its most dangerous symptom is a tendency to feel sorry for oneself.

I am reading this lecture to myself just as much as to any of you. And it is sometimes difficult for those of us who are still doing routine work at home, not to grumble at the small inconveniences and delays and restrictions which the war entails.

But—haven't we help us!—what right have we to grumble when half the manhood of France is at the front and a million and a quarter of our own lads are in uniform and all Finland is fighting for dear life against ruthless invaders under a hail of bombs?

I tell you that for us this war has scarcely begun, and it will not be won until we have paid the price of victory in tears and sacrifice.

A Man o' the People

THE War Office, the Admiralty and the Air Force may be as much responsible for this as the Ministry of Information itself, but the public goes hungry just the same.

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THE WORLD ON PARADE

LIFE IN THE OCEAN WAVES

CANUTE tried to control the waves—and got wet feet. Nowadays, man dreams not so much of controlling the ocean, but of harnessing its boundless energy and of wresting from its billions of tons of water the wealth it contains.

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Tests of the "wave motor" are said to have been successful.

the rearing of hundreds of thousands of pigs in these islands, Denmark, the Baltic countries and Canada. In times of war this huge consumption adds to the shipping problem, for 75 per cent. of the total is imported.

DID YOU KNOW THAT—

THE cheval-de-frise was a 12 ft. length of timber fitted on all sides with iron stakes and used as a military obstacle against an advancing enemy, in the Middle Ages?

Even in the days of bows and arrows propaganda was used to weaken the morale of the enemy, hand-written "leaflets" being fixed round arrows and despatched by expert bowmen?

The scuttled German Fleet has provided material to be used against the Germans in the present war, for much of the salvaged scrap has played its part in the country's huge armament programme?

The Mace of the House of Commons is really a replica of an old-time weapon, a kind of heavy club favoured by the clergy who were not allowed to

"DON'T WASTE THESE THINGS"

WE'RE asked not to waste material things such as paper, and food, and coal, but there are other things which we must not waste, things of the heart and soul.

For they mean so much to the fighting men and to those at home who wait, and there's plenty of things we can cast away, such as Anger, and Fear, and Hate.

But we must all save Life's sacred things, such as Love, Life's Spiritual Bread, for War must not leave us empty hearts, else the whole world will be lost and dead.

So we must harvest Freedom as Grain from Heaven's Field, and Faith must not be wasted, for Divine Things it will yield.

So don't let us waste one Lovely Thing, such as Hope, which we all require, for Hope is the spirit of precious worth and it can light a Fire whose Flame will be seen across the world, and will, like a Promise, shine across the Thames and the flowing Seine and over the German Rhine.

J. M.

Dry Fighters

FINNISH Army is unlike others. It is completely dry. War zone, which includes whole of Eastern Finland, comes under prohibition.

Milk is soldier's drink. Herds of cows are kept behind the lines to provide the milk. Churns and large cans are carried around by patrols.

With Spain gradually returning to normal, that country is assuming more and more importance in the eyes of the belligerents. Reason is not far to seek—namely, its abundant possibilities as a large producer of essential minerals such as iron ores, copper, mercury and pyrites.

The geographical position of the country, combined with the command of the sea, gives the Allies the advantages in any trading with the Spaniards.

5,000 Diets

JAPAN has an unusual State organisation in its Institute for Nutrition, members of which, all dietician experts, are constantly experimenting to devise new foods with the object of making the nation self-sufficient.

More than 5,000 different diets have been tried out, and even the possibilities of canned dogs, cats, snails and frogs are being considered.

Members of the institution have to be prepared to take all manner of risks with all kinds of plants, fishes and animals in order that a cheap, yet nutritive, diet for the nation may be evolved.

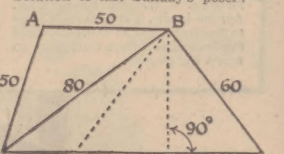
Bacon

ONE of the world's biggest jobs is getting that rasher on the Briton's breakfast table. Normally 11,000,000 cwt. of bacon and ham are consumed annually, which involves

POSER

In a field were three equal numbers of seven different kinds of birds. Ten birds flew away leaving six kinds; then nine birds went leaving five kinds; then eight birds leaving four kinds; and so on until finally five birds flew away leaving only one kind. How many birds then remained?

Solution to last Sunday's poser:—



Area BCE = Area ABD + Area BCD
Using formula,
Area = $\frac{1}{2}(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)$
Area BCE = 1800 sq. yds.
Now, $BC^2 = BD^2 + DC^2 - 2BD \cdot DC \cdot \cos B$
 $60^2 = 36^2 + 48^2 - 100 \cdot C \cdot \cos 110^\circ$
 $C^2 = 36^2 + 48^2 - 100 \cdot C \cdot \cos 110^\circ$
Now, Area BCE = Area BFE + Area BCF
 $1800 = \frac{1}{2}BF \cdot EC$
 $3600 = 48 \times EC$
 $EC = 75$ yards.

THE LOOKER-ON.

ADVERTISER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

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From all chemists and dog-food shops, in packets of 9 powders 6d., and 21 powders 1/6.

CIGARETTE PAPERS

By The Lounger

"I'll always pay you," says a writer, "to stick in at your kitchen-garden." You may get a higher celery.

"Life," says an article, "isn't all jam for the lorry driver." And even if it's all jam, it isn't all honey.

TODAY'S PROVERB
Over a sea of sorrows
The light of courage gleams
To tell us that brave hearts alone
Can still fulfil their dreams.

LITTLE ALFIE ON "PRECIOUS RUBBISH"

Me and Horrie are doing sumthing for our country's sake; and what do you think it is? Collecting rubbish. In war-time, you see, a lot of the stuff that we usually chuck away as useless is very valuable. Take waste-paper, frinstance. People used to chuck old newspapers away, as if they were no good at all. Mind you, me and Horrie were never so wasteful as that. Every so often we used to take a bundle of our family newspapers down to the fish-and-chip shop and the kind-hearted man there would give us sum buckshee chips in exchange.

But where we are now their isn't a chip-shop in the village, and, besides, we've got to be more patriotic, any-

way. We go round the houses, collecting everybody's old newspapers, then we hand them in to our Scouts. Head-Is, where they get sent away to be pulped down into fresh paper again. So my advice to all "People" people is: save all your old "Peoples" for us Scouts, to ensure a good supply of new "Peoples".

There's all the odds and ends of old iron, too. Iron can be melted down again and made into bullets, shells and bombs, and although me and Horrie can't very well go round singing "Any old iron," like Mr. Harry Champion, we've done a nice bit of collecting in a quiet way. You ort to let us have all the old iron you can, becoss you never know. I mean to say, who knows? It may be your bit of old broken kitchen-poker that gets melted into the bullet that finds its billet on old Adolf's boko!

And then, of course their's bones. Bones are most valuable, though Rags (that's my dog) used to be the only member of our family who thort so. Now that me and Horrie are col-

lecting bones from patriotic motives we've got to be as careful at hiding them as Rags ever was, but, all the same, we can't berry them in Farmer Oates's kitchen-garden, same as Rags wants to. It's hard explaining to Rags about these bones. He thinks a dirty trick is being played on him. Father came to see us last week-end, and was very sarcastic about our efforts. He says collecting rubbish is the one thing that Jerries can lick us at. There's more rubbish, he says, in one of Adolf's screaming speeches than we cud collect in years. Father says the crooners are our best standby, becoss if rubbishy stuff is worth munny, what the crooners croon must be worth its wait in gold.

TRANSPORT SONG

Without going as far afield as our brave sailors and gallant airmen, I think that the heroes of our late lump of concentrated winter have been the lads who drive the lorries, the chaps who have ploughed through snow-drifts and floods to bring us our grub.

You don't hear much about him; He won't talk of "Number One," But he's been all sorts of hero, Ere his driving-day is done. The story of his hardships he Will never want to tell. But when he's had a busy day, He's worked all night as well.

CHORUS:
Oh, this life's no joke for the transport bloke; He's been at it since the wintry spell began.

He's battled through the snowdrifts of this wild and wintry clime, And not for reasons that you'd call romantic or sublime. But just to bring your breakfast up all at the proper time!

So three cheers for the transport man.

A thousand things can happen To a lorry on its way; Yet he always seems to get there, Every journey—every day. And if something seems to down him, Up again he'll quickly bob;

If he ask him how he does it, He will say: "It's just my job."

CHORUS:
So I'll raise my cap to the transport chap— He'll find in me a very ardent fan. Though fagged and fed up, his own job he never has forsaken, And those who think it commonplace are jolly well mistaken; The job that really matters lies in bringing home the bacon!

So three cheers for the transport man.

WISDOM WEEK BY WEEK
Read more rather than books, and when you come to yourself see that you find something worth reading.

Union Chiefs To Be Told Of Big Munitions Plan

1,500,000 MORE MEN AND WOMEN TO MAKE ARMS



Bad Cooking Suggested

FOOD WASTED IN ARMY CAMPS

BY OUR MILITARY CORRESPONDENT

ORDERS HAVE GONE FROM THE WAR OFFICE TO ALL UNITS IN THE ARMY AT HOME AND OVERSEAS THAT FOOD WASTAGE MUST BE CUT TO THE LOWEST POSSIBLE LEVEL.

Many complaints have been received during the last few weeks of large quantities of food being wasted usually because of inefficient cooking and serving.

There is no suggestion that the Army ration is too large, or of cutting it down. But there is evidence that large quantities of food are being wasted, and that the men are not being fed as well as they should be.

The matter is being raised in the House of Commons this week by Sir Joseph Leech, who is questioning the Secretary for War on Tuesday.

He wants the following steps to be taken:—

FATAL JOKE ON SOLDIER

A PRACTICAL joke is believed by the police to have caused the death of Private Mills, aged twenty-one, as he opened a door at Warley Barracks, Brentwood. The door handle is alleged to have been connected by wire to an electric switch.

After formal evidence the inquest at Brentwood yesterday was adjourned for further police inquiries.

Dr. F. E. Camps said that there were indications consistent with death from the effects of an electric current. There was a small blister on the man's right thumb and another mark near the tip of the thumb.

ADVERTISER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

THESE TWO TABLETS

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At a recent public demonstration, investigators produced a tumult of the acid you get in your stomach when you suffer from indigestion. The audience were invited to dip their fingers into the glass. The result was very faces. . . . The acid was so strong it actually began to burn and sting the finger-tips.

Two Digestif RENNIES tablets were then dissolved in the same liquid. 80 seconds later the test was carried out again. The liquid had lost all its bite. It was as mild as milk! A chemical analysis proved that the acid had been completely neutralised—Killed stone dead. Can you wonder that over 2,000 RENNIES users have written grateful letters? "RENNIES acted like a magic wand," they say. "The relief RENNIES brought is still a mystery to me. Actually, with RENNIES killing a stomachful of excess acid in 80 seconds, there's no magic or mystery about it! It is just plain scientific fact: stomach acid can't stand up to a couple of RENNIES."

With RENNIES there is no fussing with water. Simply keep a few of these separately wrapped tablets in your pocket or handbag. Take two any time you feel pain coming on. In 80 seconds you'll sign with relief as that stomach-punishing acid is quelled. Suck a couple of RENNIES after meals, and eat what you like. 1,198 doctors now use and recommend Digestif RENNIES. They should know! Now you can benefit too. Get a packet of RENNIES from your chemist. Trial Size 6d. 19/4 four times as much. DIGESTIF

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KEY JOBS IN FACTORIES FOR EXPERTS

BY OUR INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

PLANS FOR THE RATIONING OF SKILLED LABOUR, IN CONNECTION WITH A COLOSSAL EXPANSION OF THE ARMAMENTS INDUSTRY THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS PLANNING IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS, WILL BE DISCUSSED THIS WEEK BY MR. ERNEST BROWN, MINISTER OF LABOUR AND NATIONAL SERVICE, AND THE HEADS OF MORE THAN THIRTY MUNITION TRADE UNIONS.

Some of the union leaders have already been given a rough outline of the scheme.

Others will hear it for the first time from the Minister on Tuesday. It provides for an arms drive far bigger than anything that was attempted even in the closing stages of the last war.

ON "RATIONS"

Main provisions of the scheme are: A million more men and at least half a million women will be required for the armament industries. Absorption of them will start immediately and will expand with increasing momentum as hundreds of other factories are placed on war work.

Skilled men will be rationed, so many to the key positions of each factory. Unskilled labour will be introduced in large quantities, to operate the automatic machines which the skilled men will set, provide with tools, and supervise.

Luxury factories will have to give up their fitters and engineers so that they can go on munition work.

Large-scale transference of labour from one part of the country to another will be necessary.

Skilled engineers who are now in the Army will be returned to civil life, unless they are serving in their trade capacity in the Army.

BACK TO WORK

Technical schools and Government instructional centres will train large numbers of youths and apprentices.

Skilled workers who have retired on account of age will be asked to return to work. In several arms factories the compulsory retirement of skilled men at sixty-five has already been cancelled for the duration of the war.

Scores of thousands of garage hands and mechanics who have been thrown out of employment by the restriction of motoring will be brought into the armament industry.

Skilled engineers among refugees now in London will also be sent to the munition factories.

The unions are now considering to what extent they shall relax their regulations regarding the use of unskilled labour.

Guarantees will be asked for. But the unions are patriotic, and there will be no unjustified interference with the Government's plans.

THE POPE PRAYS FOR "CEASE FIRE"

Vatican City, Saturday.

"We ask God—may you cease hostilities," declares the Pope in a telegram sent from the Vatican City today to the Japanese Emperor on the occasion of the 2,600th anniversary of the foundation of the Japanese Empire.

The telegram adds: "May the Japanese people and their Sovereigns through Divine aid attain greater glory and happy years."—B.U.P.

GOLDEN BULLETS

MORE than £80,000,000 has been invested by small savers since the War Savings Campaign was launched eleven weeks ago by the National Savings Committee.

Last week £2,872,500 worth of Savings Certificates and 3,978,035 worth of Defence Bonds were sold, the total figures reached since the opening of the campaign being £39,858,000 for Savings Certificates and £40,459,745 for Defence Bonds.

"The People's" Secret Service News

A BIG motor-car factory near Berlin has been taken over by the Government for the sole purpose of repairing tanks, and is working night and day.

Although German tanks have not yet been in action on the Western Front some hundreds are in the factory awaiting repair, damaged and rendered unfit for action by nothing more severe than trundling along the roads or across country.

GERMAN doctors are disturbed over an increase of stomach trouble among their patients. They have diagnosed it as being due to the increasing quantities of synthetic foods that are now being eaten. The only normal food available in large quantities is bread. There is plenty of that. But meat, butter, bacon, eggs and milk are short.

Hitler is now building a big fleet of small motor torpedo boats. Their chief task is to hunt down allied submarines. The work is being carried out at the Flensburg shipyards, and is proceeding at high speed.

GERMANY is now so short of U-boats that the torpedoing campaign is now only on one-tenth of the scale that prevailed in the early stages of the war.

And the new U-boats that were to be built on the conveyor system are not yet ready to take the water.

Admiral Raeder has, therefore, asked Hitler to open negotiations with Stalin for the exchange of one of the big German cruisers—which is useless as it dare not come out of harbour—for a dozen Russian submarines.

GOERING is training six crack air squadrons, to play the rôle occupied by the famous Richtofen squadron during the last war. These men only fly about once a month, and spend the rest of their time being taken round Germany as a "circus," to uplift the morale of the ordinary air units and the civil population.

They are the men who have been making the raids on British ports and shipping, and are certainly the cream of the German air force. Their accounts for the creditable per-

formances that they have sometimes put up, though even then they have always been beaten when they have stayed to face our fighters instead of running away.

SHORTAGE of metals for war purposes is now so acute in Germany that battalions of technicians are touring occupied Polish territory and are stripping all factories and plants of their metal and machinery for transportation to the Reich.

The only exceptions are those factories which are capable of being turned over to munitions production. They are being kept in service.

FLOODS on the Rhine are assuming dangerous proportions in the northern part of Germany and near the Dutch frontier.

Companies of army engineers have been stationed every few miles, with supplies of explosives for blowing up ice formations that may impede the flow of water to the sea.

THE Nazi railway authorities, disturbed over the condition of their permanent way, are making big

CAVALCADE OF KISSES



A new record for screen kissing has been set up by Richard Greene, the young English actor. In his new film, "I Was An Adventuress," now being distributed in Hollywood by Gregory Ratoff lucky Dicky Greene receives thirty-three osculatory salutes from Zorina, the dancer, seen above. It is understood that her father, who lives in Northamptonshire, had declined to give his consent. Miss Lappage is twenty years old.

AJAX MAN'S BRIDE SAID: "CAN'T WED"

WHEN H.M.S. Ajax returned to England after the battle against the Graf Spee, one of the crew, Stoker Donald Harvey Beer, twenty-two, of Hillingdon, Middlesex, made arrangements for his marriage.

It was to have taken place yesterday at Uxbridge, but shortly before the time fixed for the ceremony the Registrar received a telegram from the bride, Miss Margaret Lappage, of Gerrard's Cross, Bucks, cancelling the arrangements.

It is understood that her father, who lives in Northamptonshire, had declined to give his consent. Miss Lappage is twenty years old.

"Scrap Rail Guarantee" NATIONALISE NOW, SAY M.P.s

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

SCRAP THE £40,000,000 GUARANTEE TO BRITISH RAILWAYS AND NATIONALISE THE UNDERTAKINGS IMMEDIATELY, IS THE PLAN PUT FORWARD BY A GROUP OF M.P.s.

It will lead to a full-dress debate in the House of Commons on Tuesday.

Instead of the £40,000,000 scheme the Government will be urged to set up a National Transport Board to acquire ownership of the railways as well as other forms of transport throughout the country.

This new body would function on lines similar to the London Passenger Transport Board, which controls all buses, trams and suburban railways in the Metropolitan area.

It will be pointed out that in any case the railways will probably be nationalised at the end of the war—there is a growing feeling even among railway executives in this direction—so, it will be asked, why not take the step now and make one job of it?

Further, as the railways are now operating under partial Government control, and a very great part of their work now consists of transporting troops, munitions and food supplies on behalf of the Government, it will be suggested that as a matter of common-

sense, apart from politics, the Government should take the railways over entirely.

There will also be strong criticism, in Tuesday's debate, of the £40,000,000 figure which the Government has agreed to guarantee the railways.

This figure, it is suggested, is far too generous, especially as the Government is calling on everyone to make sacrifices.

Even the stockholders themselves never expected such a generous basis of compensation as this, and the news on the Stock Exchange sent up railway stocks by leaps and bounds.

ROOSEVELT IS DISILLUSIONED WITH THE SOVIET

Washington, Saturday.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT declared today that Russia's aggression in Finland was invasion of a neighbour "so infinitesimally small that she could do no injury to the Soviet Union."

He was disillusioned with the Russian experiment in government, although he had hoped that the Soviet might, nevertheless, have become a peace-loving, popular Government which would not interfere with the integrity of its neighbours.

"That hope," he said, "is today either shattered or put away in storage against a better day."

"That the Soviet would declare war on the U.S. is the silliest talk I have heard in the 58 years of my life. That we are going to war ourselves with the Soviet is equally silly talk."—Reuter.

Passing Of The "Plain-Dealing" Parson

He Was Just A Capitalist

Helsinki, Saturday.

THIS story is being told in Helsinki today:— A Finnish ski patrol in No-Man's-Land heard sounds in the woods and discovered a poorly-clad individual. As he raised his hands he shouted: "Don't shoot me. I'm only a Russian capitalist."—B.U.P.

NO FRENCH BRIDES FOR TOMMY YET

With the B.E.F., Saturday.

SINGLE men serving with the B.E.F. in France, though regarded as very eligible bachelors by the French girls are remaining single.

Reports that the first war weddings between the Tommies and the French girls were taking place are incorrect. No front-line weddings have occurred, or have been arranged.

It is not that the men of the B.E.F. are unromantic. Many engagements have taken place, but the authorities are not encouraging weddings.

One main reason for this is that the Army's ruling is that no wives are allowed with the B.E.F. This means that if a soldier out here gets married to a French girl, she would evidently be required to move from the front-line area, and might have to go to England.

One official said that, anyway, the men had more to think about getting ready for the big fight than preparing to get married.

French girls who are engaged to marry men now serving with the B.E.F. say they will wait for the men until the war is over.—B.U.P.

TORNADO SWEEPS CITY

Albany, Saturday

Several people were killed and from 75 to 100 injured in a tornado which swept this industrial centre today.—Reuter.

From Our Own Correspondent

Norwich, Saturday.

THERE DIED IN NORWICH TODAY CANON ARTHUR SINKER, WHO, AS A FORMER RECTOR AND RURAL DEAN OF BERMONDSEY, WAS KNOWN AS THE "PLAIN-DEALING PARSON," AND STARTED AN UNUSUAL UNEMPLOYMENT SCHEME.

He asked people to tell him of any odd jobs they wanted doing—chairs mended, envelopes addressed, gardens dug, perambulators wheeled.

He provided the men, who were paid 25s. a week and their insurance from voluntary contributions.

His view was that the occupation and the payment were better for the men than just accepting unemployment pay.

MOTHER'S 45,000 KISSES

Canon Sinker once told a South London church meeting that he calculated that a woman married for 20 years with a family of six—

Kissed the family 45,000 times (one kiss per head per day); Peeled 87,600 potatoes; Darned 10,400 socks and stockings; Made 29,200 beds;

Buttered 175,200 slices of bread.

Canon Sinker was appointed Canon Residentiary of Southwark Cathedral in 1933, and of Norwich Cathedral in 1937. He resigned last November through ill-health.

£30 FINE FOR BLACKOUT OFFENCE

Twenty-nine shopkeepers and householders at North London Police Court, yesterday, paid a total of £52 10s. in fines relating to blackout offences. The magistrate, Mr. Basil Watson, K.C., issued warrants for the arrest of two defendants who had failed to appear.

One of the 29, George Tripp, greengrocer, of Blackstock-rd., Highbury, was fined £30. It was stated that he was summoned on January 5 after being twice cautioned.

Fining another offender, Mr. Watson remarked: "No one seems to take the slightest interest in lights in this district, either on motor-cars or in buildings."



I thought I saw a cheerful sight—

A pair of glasses clinking.

I looked again and saw they were

Quite definitely winking.

"My Guinness," I exclaimed with joy,

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GUINNESS IS GOOD FOR YOU

THE Nazi Censorship Bureau is worried over the number of letters containing secret information that are getting through to neutral countries.

People who are suspect, are now having to go to the police station to write their letters, under the supervision of a police officer.

Soothing and Healing for CHAPPED HANDS & CHILBLAINS



IF you're subject to chilblains, chapped hands, a rough, sore skin or foot trouble—try Zam-Buk. Give your hands, feet, or any other sore place a nightly rub with Zam-Buk, the famous herbal ointment. The refined medicinal oils in Zam-Buk are easily absorbed into the skin.

Zam-Buk is most soothing and antiseptic. It stimulates the circulation and quickly ends pain, swelling and inflammation. Don't suffer a day longer! Get a box of Zam-Buk from your chemist or store today and end all Winter skin troubles. 1/3, or 3/- for more economical size.

★ Zam-Buk is an ideal embrocation for rheumatism, cold on the chest, etc. To soften Zam-Buk just warm it a little.

Edward Lyndoe's Predictions

PLAN WITH THE PLANETS

THE WAR AIMS OF THE ALLIES ARE LIKELY TO BE FURTHERED DURING THE NEXT FEW WEEKS BY A SENSATIONAL DIPLOMATIC BREAK. CURIOUSLY ENOUGH, FRANCE MAY NOT BE IMMEDIATELY INVOLVED IN THE SITUATION WHICH ARISES.

The end of the Conference between the Balkan powers last week-end does not mean that we have heard the last of this subject. The recent conversations will prove merely the preliminary to further extensions of the alliance, and these may involve drastic changes among the politicians of the countries concerned.

These changes may coincide with the appearance of new difficulties in the Danube basin during March. Incidents of the maximum significance are likely to affect the whole course of the war, and I would remind you of my prediction of some weeks back that the situation in the south-east would prove advantageous to the Allies.

OPTIMISM on this score is strengthened still further by a striking change of attitude on the part of one neutral towards Great Britain. Events are working towards a welcome alteration of status which is due to culminate some weeks from now.

WAR AIMS: A SURPRISE

FURTHER strengthening of the Allied cause results from the inclusion of Spain in the present economic schemes being prepared by Britain and France. I always told you that a close understanding between Spain and this country was almost inevitable, and events during the next few weeks will prove that I was right. In answer to readers' questions on the subject of air warfare, planetary evidence suggests that the Nazis will suffer some smashing air losses in February and March.

THE next few weeks also bring a new phase in Papal activity with regard to Poland. This will mark the beginning of a master-stroke of policy which will have important repercussions on the whole situation. The value of the Pope's attitude towards the present conflict cannot be too strongly stressed.

The middle of March may see the beginning of an interesting situation in the Pacific. The axis of the problem will be incidents affecting the interests of both Japan and the U.S.A.

UPSETS in international affairs are paralleled by serious meteorological disturbances. The ocean bed appears to be affected by a series of quakes similar to those which have recently devastated parts of Turkey, and shipping is likely to be badly affected. I do not doubt that the news for the month will include the announcement of several losses as a result of these upheavals.



Gen. Franco

BRIEF BIRTHDAY INDICATIONS

(Applying to those whose anniversaries occur this week)

TODAY
YOU begin today one of those quietly progressive twelvemonths in which most of your interests proceed smoothly but without outstanding developments.

In general, it can be said that most of your plans meet with success, but you will have to work hard if you want to secure really good results. The financial position is satisfactory.

TOMORROW
A rather disappointing year, and I do not advise you to tempt any drastic departure from normal routine. Prospects in connection with occupational and general business interests tend to be below par and there may be setbacks caused by foolish moves.

TUESDAY
AN admirable year for pushing plans for advancement, especially in connection with improvement in status. The possibility of progress in both business and social life

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS THIS WEEK, you can have a specially compiled Month-by-Month Review of your affairs up to the end of February, 1941 (over 3,500 words!) by applying AT ONCE, together with a P.O. for 2/- to cover clerical and postal costs. State name (Mr., Mrs. or Miss), full postal address, date of birth, and send to Edward Lyndoe, c/o "The People," 93, Long Acre, W.C.2.

are well above the average, and it seems to me that if you tackle the situation constructively now you should be able to make better headway than you had imagined.

WEDNESDAY
A year in which periods of intense activity alternate with sluggish patches. Cause of difficulty is insufficient preparation before launching new schemes. Great care should be taken to avoid risks, especially where money is involved.

HOW WE ALL STAND THIS WEEK

(Look for your birth date below to find your section)

MARCH 21 to APRIL 20
WEDNESDAY marks the danger-point for you folks this week. Events due then tend to overshadow the remaining days and you may find yourself faced with a crisis in your affairs.

APRIL 21 to MAY 20
Apart from some unwelcome complications in your plans at mid-week this promises to be a progressive spell for most of you. Tuesday and

Saturday are the two days which are likely to offer the maximum assistance in dealing with current problems.

MAY 21 to JUNE 20
EARLY days of the week show few signs of progress for most of you. Tuesday, in particular, produces an unexpected crisis, possibly as a result of your enthusiasm for new schemes. I urge you to wait until Wednesday before tackling seriously current arrangements.

JUNE 21 to JULY 20
Except for financial matters the first half of this week is superior to the second. Monday is indicated as the day on which to tackle current problems, and a little effort then should pave the way for some advancement, business interests being chiefly benefited.

JULY 21 to AUGUST 21
TUESDAY is the one outstandingly helpful day, and I urge you to make the most of it. Remainder of week inclined to be quiet, but you may find that a number of problems come to a head on Friday, which is bound to be a trying day in consequence.

AUGUST 22 to SEPTEMBER 22
Little prospect of much progress during the first half of the week, and I advise you to be cautiously with everything, on Tuesday in particular. Your desire for new interests is likely to lead you into trouble, and you may be faced with a crisis which interferes with your plans.

SEPTEMBER 23 to OCTOBER 22
Chief possibilities occur at the beginning and end. Tuesday and Saturday are certainly the days to choose for dealing with your most pressing problems. The former, in

particular, is likely to produce at least one pleasant surprise.

OCTOBER 23 to NOVEMBER 22
This week marks a somewhat critical stage in your affairs, and you may find that a crisis which looms up on Wednesday has important bearing on course of future developments. I urge you to be on your guard against risky moves, particularly where financial interests are likely to be affected.

NOVEMBER 23 to DECEMBER 20
MAJOR possibilities fall at end of the week. Early days are quiet; content yourselves with steady plodding on routine lines. Chief disadvantage lies in temptation to over-spend.

DECEMBER 21 to JANUARY 19
A quiet week in the main and you must look to Friday for your best chances for making progress. Tuesday is awkward, but once past mid-week you are likely to receive some unexpected assistance in dealing with your problems.

JANUARY 20 to FEBRUARY 18
Beginning of week inclined to be dull and you will have to watch your step with everything on Monday. Setbacks in connection with your work appear probable and difficulties are intensified by the fact that you tend to be a little "off colour" from a health point of view.

FEBRUARY 19 to MARCH 20
Not a particularly inspiring week and you may find it dull until towards the end. The present week-end may produce a hitch in one of your schemes, and although there are no immediate financial repercussions there is bound to be a fair amount of indecision and worry.

TODAY'S RADIO

391.1 METRES (767 kc/s) and 449.1 METRES (668 kc/s)

7.0 a.m.—Time; News.

7.10—Marie Hall (violin).

7.30—Harry Englemann's Quintet.

8.0—Time; News.

8.15—B.B.C. Scottish Orchestra.

9.0—Students Songs from Wales.

9.15—Service; Address by Rev. Canon John Arden.

10.5—The Caravan Players.

10.10—The London Ensemble: Daniel Melba (violin); Lily Phillips (cello); Hetty Bolton (piano).

11.15—Constance Cardous in Songs.

11.35—The B.B.C. Salon Orchestra.

12.15 p.m.—Reading from "Wuthering Heights."

12.30—Foden's Motor Works Band.

1.0—Time; News.

1.10—B.B.C. Singers.

1.30—Reginald Foort at the Organ.

1.45—Boston Symphony Orchestra.

2.15—In Your Garden, by F. Streeter and C. H. Middleton.

6.15—The Fact of Faith, by Rev. J. S. Whale.

6.35—Pierre Fournier ("cello").

7.0—Minding the Children: Evacuation in North Wales.

7.30—Sandy Macpherson at the Organ.

7.55—Organ Voluntary from Carrs Lane Church, Birmingham.

8.0—Service; Address by Rev. Leyton Richards, from Carrs Lane Church, Birmingham.

8.40—Eugene Pini and his Orchestra.

8.45—Eugene Pini and his Orchestra.

9.0—Time; News.

9.15—Scrapbook for 1930.

10.15—B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra.

10.45—Eugene Pini and his Orchestra.

11.30—Eugene Pini and his Orchestra.

11.35—Eugene Pini and his Orchestra.

12.0 midnight—Time; News.

For the Forces

342.1 METRES (877 kc/s)

Tonight's special items are as follows:—

6.0—Home Service Programme.

6.15—Alfred Van Dam and his State Orchestra.

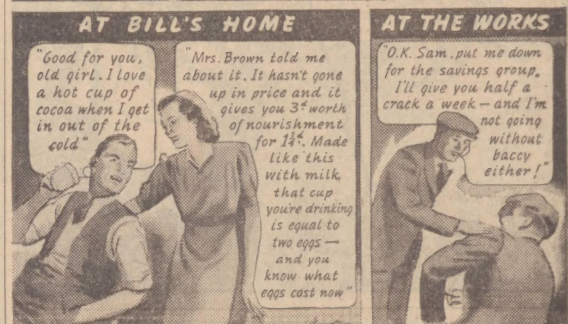
7.30—Home Service Programme.

7.55—Kenneth Sydney Haynes and his Orchestra, with Helen Hill.

8.30—B.B.C. Chorus.

8.45—Gramophone.

9.0—Home Service Programme.



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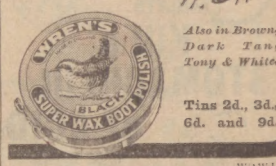
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Woman Says A "Lord" Was Invented

SHY "ADMIRER" AT WINDOW

"FICTITIOUS"
PEOPLE IN
£1,430 CHARGE

A PEER who was said to have "caught a chill at Goodwood" and a man who was stated to admire an elderly woman so much that he came to her window in the hope of seeing her and "practically proposed" by letter, were described as fictitious persons at Westminster police court yesterday.

Annie Forman (sixty-three), a knitter, of Ebury-st., S.W., was charged on remand with obtaining cash and securities, valued at £1,430, by false pretences from Frances Edith Hodgins, an elderly woman, of Eccleston-st., S.W.

3½ YEARS
FOR LISTENING
TO RADIO

Berlin, Saturday.
SENTENCE OF 18 months' imprisonment and loss of civil rights for two years was passed at Mannheim on George Kaiser, who was accused of listening to a foreign wireless station.

At Salzburg the Court imposed a sentence of 3½ years on Josef Sigi, on a similar charge.

In Berlin it is announced that Heinz Mueller has been executed for treason, having communicated military knowledge to a foreign Power.—B.U.P.

SCRAPS OF PAPER!

Amsterdam, Saturday.
Most German newspapers and magazines are further to reduce the number of their pages in the next few days.

Forman gave her a letter purporting to come from a Mrs. Alexander, whose husband, it was stated, had obtained a post in India, and Miss Hodgins advanced her money to buy some of the Alexanders' furniture.

Next, two men—a Lord Colebrook and a Mr. Butler—were mentioned by Forman as being interested in the Alexanders, and they were to sell jewellery and plate.

In connection with this, said Miss Hodgins, she handed Forman £200 in notes. "I believed the Alexanders really existed," she added.

"A CHILL AT GOODWOOD"

Describing how she gave further sums to Forman, she said: "Lord Colebrook was supposed to have caught a chill at Goodwood, and Mr. Butler looked after his affairs. Between July and December, I drew 19 cheques for £456 in all for Mrs. Alexander, Lord Colebrook and Mr. Butler."

Mr. R. E. Seaton (prosecuting): The letters purporting to come from Mr. Butler are in very affectionate terms. What was supposed to be the relationship?

Miss Hodgins: I was supposed to have accepted him as a husband. I had received gifts of wine, flowers, fruit and confectionery from him. He wrote that he would come to me, and he practically proposed. I thought it was very remarkable, but I was told he used to come to the window and see me, and that he admired me for all I had done for the Alexanders.

Did you accept him?—Yes. In all I gave between £1,400 and £1,500, and it has left me with absolutely no money. A formal remand was ordered.

POTATO PRICES

TO BE FIXED
FROM TOMORROW

ORDERS prescribing revised maximum prices for ware potatoes and introducing minimum prices to growers for both ware and seed potatoes, come into force tomorrow. Maximum retail prices for single lb. sales are substantially unchanged, states the Ministry of Food. Housewives in England and Wales will still be able to buy King Edward class at 1d. per lb. and Majestic (or white) class at 1d. per lb.

In Scotland, the prices of Golden Wonder at 4d. per 3½ lb.; Kerr's Pink Redskins and Red King at 3d. per 3½ lb.; and Whites at 3d. per 3½ lb. all remain at previous levels.

CONGRATULATIONS

"THE PEOPLE" offers congratulations to the following readers on the occasion of their wedding anniversaries:—

DIAMOND WEDDING.—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wilson, 69, Charter Houses, Hill.
GOLDEN WEDDINGS.—Mr. and Mrs. Herbert, 35, Arthur-st., Loughborough; Mr. and Mrs. T. Sayer, 39, Fane-st., Walton, Peterborough (late 59, York-st., Gt. Yarmouth); Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Finch, 62, Copley Wood Cottage, Skircoat Green, Halifax; Mr. and Mrs. W. Mayhew, Guys Cliffe, 59, Horringer-rd., Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk; Mr. and Mrs. C. Pope, 12, Victoria-rd., British-rd., Westminster, Bristol; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bright, 11, Endsleigh-knys, Hereham, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey; Mr. and Mrs. R. Newton, 22 William-st., New Seaham, Co. Durham; Mr. and Mrs. David Gold, 62 Greenwood-rd., Harrow, Middlesex; Mr. and Mrs. James Smith, 32, Lambourn-rd., Clapham S.W.

ALSO.—Mr. and Mrs. C. Crofts, 50, Causeway, Chippingham, Wilts (52 years wed); Mr. and Mrs. W. F. G. West, Foster's Cottage, Goring-st., Worthing (37 years); Mr. and Mrs. S. Strange, 65, Gwynned-rd., Parkstone, Dorset (53 years); Mr. and Mrs. Heywood, 5, Hermitage, Kingsland-rd., London, N.1 (57 years); Mr. and Mrs. George Marvell, High-rd., N. Finchley, N.12 (56 years).

DEFIED POLICE
OVER LIGHT

A YOUTH WHO STRUGGLED WITH TWO POLICEMEN OVER AN UNSCREENED LIGHT WILL HAVE TO SERVE TWO MONTHS' HARD LABOUR.

This was the sentence passed at Croydon yesterday on Ronald George Schafer, aged eighteen, a farm hand, of Albert-rd., South Norwood, for assaulting the police.

R.S.V.P.



"Primrose," the nineteen-years-old crooner, who has just arrived from France after helping to entertain the troops, reading some of her 300 proposals of marriage—from French and British soldiers.

Schafer told the court that he did not know that the police had authority to enter a house without a warrant.

P.C. Thomas Green said that when he and P.C. John Berry were unable to get a reply at the house they entered by pulling a string attached to the latch, and were explaining to a fourteen-years-old girl that she must screen the light, when Schafer came in with two young women.

P.C. Green said that he told Schafer that he would put out the light unless it was screened. Schafer said, "You won't touch it."

As P.C. Berry moved to the light, Schafer took hold of Green and tried to throw him in front of Berry.

There was a struggle, in which Schafer kicked him (Green) in the stomach and Berry on the leg.

Asked by the Clerk if he was sorry, Schafer replied, "In a way, yes."

A probation officer stated that Schafer had been to an approved school and had been twice bound over for larceny and housebreaking.

£7,500,000

PLANE ORDERS

Ottawa, Saturday.

THE British Government has ordered £7,500,000 warplanes from Canadian Associated Aircraft, the British High Commissioner's Office announced today.

This is the largest order of its kind ever given to the Dominion.

These "further orders" will enable Canadian Associated Aircraft to build up a widespread organisation of sub-contractors in the development of Canadian production for the United Kingdom of aircraft of the latest type, the announcement adds.

The new order is expected to include Hampden bombers.

False Marriage Notice

UNCLE WANTED
TO WED NIECE

CHARLES EDWARD SKEET, AGED THIRTY-ONE, A FUR CUTTER, OF ST. MARK'S-RD., SOUTH NORWOOD, WHO WAS STATED TO HAVE GIVEN NOTICE OF MARRIAGE TO HIS TWENTY-THREE-YEARS-OLD NIECE, WAS FINED £10, OR TWO MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT, AT CROYDON YESTERDAY, FOR KNOWINGLY SIGNING A FALSE DECLARATION.

OLD WOMAN'S
3 LORRY LOADS
OF PAPERS

THOUSANDS of newspapers—some dating back more than half a century—were taken away by firemen from the house in Park-parade, Harlesden, N.W., of ninety-one-years-old Mrs. Elizabeth Reed, who died after a blaze there.

A neighbour said today, "For many years until her health failed, Mrs. Reed used to go to the West End nearly every night and sit alone in a café until the small hours, drinking coffee and studying, as she said, the various types."

"She used to like watching the young people."

"Her husband, who died many years ago, was once chairman of Willesden District Council."

"Mrs. Reed lived alone for nearly 30 years."

"Firemen piled the newspapers three feet deep in the street. They were taken away in three lorries. Some of the papers were dated 1886. Mrs. Reed used to look at them at night by the light of a candle."

WHAT SAY YOU?

Twelve Ten-Second Teasers

- 1.—It's used gracefully and dexterously by women; it's popular in Japan; it's used to make one cool; it's used for ventilation purposes. What is it?
- 2.—It's an idler; it's a loiterer; it's one who shirks or neglects duty; it's a child who stays away from school without leave. What is it?
- 3.—It's a kind of vase; it's used nowadays to preserve the ashes of the dead; it's used for keeping tea, coffee, etc., hot. What is it?
- 4.—It's the point of a pen; it's the pen itself; it's the beak of a bird. What is it?
- 5.—It's part of a chain; it's a measurement of length; it's a kind of torch which was formerly used for lighting persons in the street. What is it?
- 6.—It's one who journeys from place to place; it's a travelling preacher; it's a strolling player. What is it?

- 7.—It's a form of stone; it's a kind of mound; it's a type of yard. What is it?
- 8.—It's a game in which the ball is struck against a wall by the open hand or a small wooden bat; it's popular at Eton; it's a kind of court. What is it?
- 9.—It's the name of a German river; it's a kind of wine made from grapes grown in the neighbourhood of this river. Name it.
- 10.—It's a kind of mattress; it's a form of bed; it's a type of balance. What is it?
- 11.—It's a strong spirituous liquor; it's distilled from rye; it's consumed largely in Russia. What is it?
- 12.—It's a border villane in Dumfriesshire; it gives its name to a kind of runaway marriage. Name it.

(ANSWERS in PAGE THIRTEEN)

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2. If someone in the family catches cold, put him to bed as soon as possible. Give him light food, plenty of water, and, if needed, a mild laxative.
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"Come on, Héon, I'm ready," called Harding.

HÉON was reading aloud in English, stumbling quaintly among sounds that were difficult for her lips—attuned to the soft liquid notes of her own language—to pronounce. Almost constantly Harding had to be correcting her, trying to get the harsher notes of his own tongue into her voice.

Suddenly she stopped her efforts, lapsing back into French, glancing at him with a suspicion of mischief.

"They can't really be nice people, the English, if they speak a language so cold, so hard, so without music."

As if quite agreeing with her, the dragon-fly wagged its horns intelligently. Then it fitted out of the summer-house and back again to one of the ponds to settle on its favourite among the red lilies.

There it slept awhile, until the same two voices roused it; but this time talking quite near to the pond.

Like a flash of green fire it was up, and hovering around them, listening.

One of them it knew quite well, the one with the old Panama hat, who was crumpling biscuits. But it did not know the one in the round, mushroom-like pith helmet. And it wondered what he could be doing there, because gossip said that, until quite lately, a person such as he had never been seen in the garden.

He was looking vainly for the love that no one save the ootocoon had given her. "And when you've fed the doves, fairy, what do you do then?" he asked.

After the English lesson was over, to try and draw her out further, he had asked for a résumé of her day, fearing that if she lapsed back into one of her usual silences, he might have to look upon it as a hint to go.

"Why do you call me that?" she asked, looking at him shyly.

INSTINCT

"This place seems to me a fairyland," he answered, "and who else but you could pick upon it as its inhabitant. The role is not one suited to any of the black plectanines who play about in the outer courtyard."

"But you called me that on your yacht, before you got here."

He smiled to himself. Evidently things had been observed even in the days, and pondered over, even if not commented on. He felt that many problems were brooded over and strange conclusions arrived at in the artless mind beneath the fluff of curls.

"Did I?" he said evasively. "Then some instincts must have told me you were one. But you haven't told me what you do when the doves are fed."

"Sometimes Miguel takes me for a row. And if he's busy I just stay here and read and think."

"And what do you think about?" he asked coaxingly, his one idea to keep her out of her shell, now he had managed to entice her so far, and get in touch with her silent, hidden self as much as possible.

"All sorts of things."

"What especially, for instance?"

His manner now resulted, as it often had done in his professional career, in the confession of a great and secret worry.

ADVICE

"Sometimes I think when—when— If anything happened to my father, what should I do? I couldn't always do nothing at all like Aunt Theresa. And I've done wrong for so long—have so deceived my father—that I think I shall have to spend the rest of my life in penance."

"You foolish child!" he answered, a slight catch in his voice. "You're doing penance for your 'deceit,' as you call it, every day of your life. If you had your own choice in the matter, would you act as you are acting?"

"No, oh no," she said quickly.

"No, oh no," she said quickly, "is something more than going about with dried peas in your shoes. But to do constantly something you don't like

doing, and that is entirely against your nature and inclination, making things for yourself as disagreeable as possible all round. Am I right?"

"Yes, that's what it is."

"Well, isn't that what you're doing now?"

"I hadn't thought about it like that. I only thought about being so deceitful."

Harding caressed the bird that the nervous little hand was stroking gently. "You mustn't spend your days in thinking out penances for yourself," he said tenderly. "You should spend them in thinking out the best way to have a good time."

"Jose says the only thing in life is to have a good time."

It did not altogether please Harding to find he was advocating any of Perron's theories to the child, so he changed the topic of conversation.

"Since Miguel's not here to take you for a row, will you let me?"

"But you've been here all afternoon. You mustn't waste any more time with me."

This the dragon-fly knew. It had seen him come at four o'clock, and it was now getting on for seven.

Without waiting for any further consent, leaving Héon to finish scattering the crumbs among the doves, Harding went down to where the boat was moored.

It was an old boat, with hard wooden seats, in its lack of any attempt at feminine comforts reminding him of the creaking old trading vessel on which he had found her.

COURTESY

There was no one about to see how he acted towards the girl, so he could lavish on her as much care, thought and attention as he pleased.

Going back to the summer-house, he got an armful of cushions from the divan, and taking them to the boat, made a comfortable nest up in the stern.

"Come, Héon, I'm ready," he called.

Turning from the birds she was still playing with, she came along the uneven terrace and down the steps to the water's edge.

"Why have you put all those cushions in?" she asked.

"It's the custom in England," he answered gravely, holding out his hand to help her in.

She took it, not awkwardly, but with a quaint air of surprise, as if it were something quite new to be helped or assisted in any way. Then he put her into the soft nest of cushions, lingering over his task, seeing that all was comfortable.

The rim of the old Panama hat touched his cheek as he bent over her. "Perhaps the English are not such a bad lot really," he said, "even if they do speak a language that is cold and hard and has no music."

Sitting down, he took the oars and started rowing out over the water.

By now the sun had gone. On the far horizon the night-rack was rising; a ragged fringe of grey, a faint luminous gold glinting through its thin edge—a gold that deepened quickly, spreading rapidly, drawing a gilded veil across the darkening blue sky, through which, like bright silver eyes, stars peeped.

Over the swamp, columns of coloured mist were curling, rose and mauve and red, stained by the last rays of a lost and bleeding sun. In the faint film of night that was slowly closing in over

the world, white cranes floated, their long legs trailing behind them. In the oncoming march of the shadows the rocks on the far shore took on a purple sheen.

Around the boat the water stretched in great long ripples of green and violet, barred with golden rays from the sky, and each dip of the oars brought a trail of bubbling silver.

Much as he loved colour, Harding scarcely noticed this. Opposite sat his Romance watching the scene dreamily, seeming to forget that he was there.

"Tomorrow Jose goes," he said presently. "Will you take me the next day and show me some of your special forest haunts?"

"If you'd like me to, I shall be very pleased," she answered shyly.

INNUENDO

Evening gilded the sky. On the far horizon was a flush of deep orange pierced by the last red bars of a lost sun. Great patches of colour stained the lagoon. The water below the old castle cast its dancing reflections through the deep stone embrasures, making many a flickering, gilded pattern play in the gloomy old rooms.

In one by her brother's couch Madame Perron was sitting. A dancing leaf of light falling on the book she was reading made her look up. She glanced at the coming night, and the worried look on her face deepened.

"Héon is out again with Dr. Harding," she remarked presently.

"And why shouldn't he be?" Lousada demanded.

"He—he hasn't been until quite lately," she answered lamely.

"Because your son must monopolise the guest. Taking the boy's place as he always does."

"But Héon is so delicate. Dr. Harding has often said he must never be allowed to over-exert himself. I think you ought to forbid him going out so much."

"Well, isn't the doctor there himself to see the boy doesn't do too much? You're for ever trying to molly-coddle him."

Madame Perron said no more, but turned to her book, casting an occasional glance at the window.

Outside, all the colours of the rainbow were being marshalled and dismissed. However, she saw nothing of that, her mind running on an entirely different matter.

OUTBURST

Presently the door opening made her look up quickly, her gaze staying disapprovingly on the figure that entered.

"Where have you been since breakfast, Héon?" she asked sharply.

"I've been out in the forest with Dr. Harding."

"You've been out with him all day!" Madame Perron said, her voice a rising crescendo.

"And in the name of God, why not?" Lousada thundered. "Is the boy to be always tied to your apron strings? If he tries to behave himself decently you won't let him."

Crossing quickly to the couch, Héon stood with her hand on one of the limp useless ones.

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CLUES DOWN

1. At a dance, they are usually clapped after each tune is played.

2. State without me.

3. If one is carrying one's this, one would naturally use it during 23.

4. Our soldiers will soon get to know all about this cooking.

5. These have to be cast.

6. It's by taking this that one becomes successful.

7. Many who have tardy debtors are likely to find this in order to do penance. I should imagine.

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Nerves and Stomach Trouble

By Dr. F. B. Scott, M.D., Paris

In anxious days of worry and nervous strain it is not surprising to find indigestion on the increase. Few people realise how intimately the nervous and digestive systems react upon each other. Worry and anxiety make undue demands upon the body's reserves; the appetite fails, and the stomach then turns "sour", producing an excess of acid—that is how "nervous dyspepsia" starts. To remedy the pain and distress it is necessary to neutralise this excess acid, and for this purpose my own recommendation is 'Bisurated' Magnesia, the standard antacid compound. A dose of 'Bisurated' Magnesia instantly neutralises excess acid, checks nervous dyspepsia, and promotes general well-being.

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Britain's Housekeeper No. 1 SAFETY-FIRST MILLIONS

London Leaves Nothing To Chance

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

IF AND WHEN THE BOMBERS COME, THE WORLD'S GREATEST FAMILY WILL BE READY FOR THEM, READY TO TEND ITS WOUNDED, TO FEED AND CLOTHE ITS NEEDY, TO PUT OUT FIRES AND HOUSE ITS HOMELESS.

For London, despite the most efficient air raid defences in Europe, is prepared for the worst, for blows that may never fall. The city that in peace-time spends £5,000,000 a year on food, clothing, school-books, medicines and the hundreds of other needs of public services has delved still deeper into its coffers to meet the needs of war.

What has been done was revealed to me yesterday in an exclusive interview with Dr. Monica Felton, chairman of the L.C.C. Supplies Committee and wizard of housekeeping, who is Britain's housekeeper No. 1.

"The Supplies Department, at the beginning of the war, was responsible for feeding 120,000 people a day in hospitals, schools and institutions," she said. "But now its task is ten times more difficult. Prices have risen. Some things are unobtainable. All aluminium is reserved for the fighting services, and so are many other materials that we normally purchase."

THAT BLACK-OUT

"But, like the ordinary housewife, we find substitutes, and in some cases buy cheaper materials where prices have risen."

To black-out the Council's offices, hospitals and other institutions, more than a million yards of material were bought. More than 18,000 reels of black cotton were purchased to make black-out curtains.

Close on half a million yards of cloth were made into A.F.S. uniforms of 200 different sizes, every auxiliary fireman being fitted individually.

More than 70,000 and much other clothing were provided for the A.F.S., the Ambulance Service and other civil defence workers.

Reserve stocks of food were laid in before the war in case air-raids should make normal distribution impossible.

In addition, "iron-rations" were laid in for 85,000 civil defence workers "just in case."

Supplies are also ready for Londoners who may be rendered homeless by air-raids, while medical supplies were accumulated after Munich.

Twenty-four fever and other special hospitals were equipped with operating theatres, drugs, dressings and other appliances.

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You May Not Agree That—Mansion Schools Are Necessary

By "THE PHILOSOPHER"

THE OTHER DAY, AT BREAKFAST, MY WIFE STARTLED ME INTO UPSETTING THE MILK JUG. "IT STRIKES ME," SAID SHE, THROWING DOWN THE MORNING DAILY IN DISGUST, "THIS IS A WAR RUN BY OLD ENGLISH GENTLEMEN."

Meaning that our Cabinet is just too proper in this fight against unscrupulous Germany. And many another critic, these days, mindful of murders at sea, is prompted to utter ironically, "God rest you, merry gentlemen."

Or something far stronger. Nevertheless, I myself hesitate to condemn. Our War Cabinet may have explanations which must remain secret. British politeness to the Bremen, to enemy aliens, to scuttling crews to captured air raiders, to German military objectives, may be good diplomacy as well as sound morality.

On the other hand, it may not. Possibly H. G. Wells will think me deficient because I do not pronounce heavy sentence.

In any case, if we are spoiling for a quarrel, we have plenty grounds other than the fact of letting the enemy off lightly.

TAKE the case of the children's evacuation scheme. I realise this was an entirely new problem, but the solution betrayed a neglect of simple psychology and strong whiffs of class accommodation.

Whenever Greta Garbo wants to be alone, she is expressing a longing that comes to every individual and family.

Company is enjoyable under chosen conditions, but if you have strangers compulsorily parked on you in confined space, the odds are on the strain, sooner or later, reaching breaking point.

It cuts both ways, against hosts and evacuees, because differing standards have a way of hardening into uncompromising habit.

I know of a minister of the Gospel who refused in a churlish way to speak to his two evacuees after the first month had passed.

And how often have guests exploited good people who were ready to "do their bit" in a generous fashion?

So, now two-thirds of this first scheme has faded away—as it was bound to—we ask our organisers for their next move.

Bombers are at our gates. The war is heating up. The need for another attempt is at least as urgent as in September.

Certainly I have heard that in high dove-cotes another plan is being hatched. But what are the chances that this second one will not also be added?

This is how to avoid it. Schools should be evacuated as complete units, so that each pupil goes with his or her playmates.

I PROPOSE these schools go to camps, or to large commandeered mansions the owners of which could retire to their town houses and shooting-boxes.

There must be no more thrusting forward one's baronial home as a hospital.

A mansion turned hospital is no more patriotic a subscription than a mansion turned school, even if the former is more impressive in a chat with one's county friends.

Wine-making and low-towing must end. For this reason, let billeting officers be Government officials not given to lifting their forelocks to the local squire.

My justification is practicality, common sense and justice. Each smart community, in a mansion, would be run amicably by teachers and helpers.

There would be no friction between hosts and guests, because the hosts would be elsewhere.

Let us evacuate next time—for I feel there must be a next time—to houses where space is, where education can continue.

LET us evacuate without tears, for, believe it or not, you dotting parents, your children will miss you less than you think, when they have the comradeship of their own little pals.

Let us evacuate children sound in limb to camp and mansion schools, rather than mutilated children to these places turned into hospitals.

IT'S ALL IN THIS BOOK

WHAT famous British firm has built a ship that moves sideways? Who won the Nobel Prize for literature in 1939? Is Britain "sinking" in the South?

These and thousands of other questions covering almost every branch of human knowledge are answered in the 1940 edition of "Whitaker's Almanack," the world-famous reference book, published at 3, Warwick-lane, Library edition, 12s. 6d. net.

ANSWERS TO TEASERS

Here are the Answers to Teasers appearing at foot of Page Eleven:—

- (1) Fan. (7) Grave.
- (2) Triant. (8) Flies.
- (3) Urn. (9) Rhine.
- (4) Nib. (10) Spring.
- (5) Link. (11) Vodka.
- (6) Itinerary. (12) Greta Green.

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You want to keep the children's teeth sound and beautifully white? You want a dentifrice the kiddies love to use? Long-lasting too? Then all you need pay is 6d. for Macleans Solid Peroxide Dentifrice, the biggest and best sixpennyworth.

SOLID DENTIFRICE

PUBLIC OPINION

A human record of how people are feeling the strain of war

NO. 4. MRS. PELLING, OF KINGSBURY



"On that first Sunday in September, when we heard the country was at war, my husband said, 'We've been through one war in our lifetime. Now here's the same misery all over again.'"

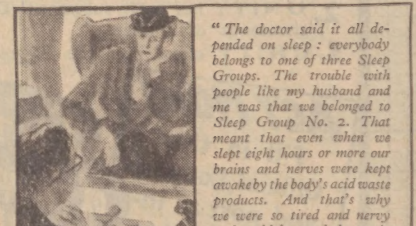
"We began to hear all sorts of rumours, and though we knew they might not be true, we got anxious and depressed. Business wasn't too promising and that helped to get us down, too."



"By November we were feeling pretty sorry for ourselves. What upset me most was that people older than my husband and me were cheerful and active and standing up fine to war conditions."



"It didn't seem natural for us to feel so washed out and tired, even after a night's sleep. 'Never mind about me,' said my husband. 'You see a doctor.' So I went to a doctor a friend had recommended."



"The doctor said it all depended on sleep: everybody belongs to one of three Sleep Groups. The trouble with people like my husband and me was that we belonged to Sleep Group No. 2. That meant that even when we slept eight hours or more our brains and nerves were kept awake by the body's acid waste products. And that's why we were so tired and nervous and couldn't stand the strain of war. The doctor recommended Horlicks every night."



"We've been having Horlicks ever since and it's put us on our feet. Our daughter says she's never known us so energetic. I'm confident we'll get through the war as well as we did twenty years ago."

There are 3 Sleep Groups

WHICH DO YOU BELONG TO?

HOW are you taking the war?

It's a curious fact that some people suffer much more than others from war strain. Even though they sleep 8 or 9 hours every night they feel depressed, "nervy," tired, unable to throw off war worry.

Scientists explain it by pointing out that a great many people belong to the wrong sleep group. We are all classified into 3 levels or groups of sleep.

Those who belong to the 1st Sleep Group get perfect rest for their brain and nerves even from a short night's sleep. They find they can stand up splendidly to war worry and anxiety.

But the trouble with people in the 2nd and 3rd Sleep Groups is that their brain and nerves are kept active all night by the body's excess acid waste products which accumulate in the blood.

Scientists, experimenting with various foods and drinks, discovered that Horlicks alone completely neutralized those excess acid waste products. Taken at bedtime Horlicks gives body, nerves and brain complete repose, and ensures 1st Group Sleep every night.

Start taking Horlicks tonight. This nourishing, well-balanced food will neutralize the acid waste products that keep nerves and brain active during sleep, thus guarding against Night Starvation. See how much more energy you will have all day, how much more hopeful you will feel. The longer the war lasts, the more urgently you need the restful, restorative 1st Group Sleep that Horlicks bestows.

Prices from 2/-, at all chemists and grocers. Pages 6d. and 1/-.

HORLICKS . . .
at bedtime gives you 1st Group Sleep

Aero milk chocolate is kind to the teeth

This delicious new chocolate is easy to bite. It has a texture like honeycomb: crisp and yielding. Because of this special texture, Aero digests more quickly, and consequently gives you energy faster than any other chocolate you can buy. It's a bigger block, too—you get more for your 2d.

Six double sections 2d



Delicious, honeycomb texture

Finns Holding Out All Along The Front

BAYONETS REPEL RUSSIAN ATTACKS



LESSON FROM FINLAND

It is now revealed that during the last month's snow British troops on the Western Front were camouflaged with white suits which enabled them to carry out their duties unobserved by the enemy. Here are some returning from exercises.

RED PLANES ARE SHORT OF BOMBS

TODAY—THE TENTH DAY OF THE RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE MANNERHEIM LINE—STILL SEES THE FINNS HOLDING OUT IN EVERY SECTOR OF THE FRONT, AGAINST TREMENDOUS ODDS.

The icy battlefield is strewn with dead. Wave after wave of Russian infantry has been sent against the Finns in an effort to crush their resistance by sheer weight of numbers.

Finnish officers say that the Russians have advanced in such great numbers that the defenders at times used hand grenades and bayonets to hurl the Russians back until their own ammunition was replenished.

FRONT WIDENS

The battle has suddenly expanded from a single narrow thrust by the Reds at Summa to a wide offensive along the greater part of the Isthmus front.

At four vital points the attacks are being pressed in strength. But the Russians have gained no success.

This sudden broadening of the attack to Punnusjoki, Pasuri and Taipale, at the far north-eastern end of the Mannerheim Line, coming after two days in which the Finns reported a slackening of the force of the whole offensive, may indicate that the Soviet High Command is being desperate at its continued failure to break through.

At Taipale the Finnish and Russian lines are in places less than 100 yards apart. Fighting is going on in intense cold—50 degrees of frost on the Isthmus and more still in the north, where the winter is the severest there has been for 10 years.

In extensive raids over the whole war zone, Russian planes are dropping artillery shells and hand-grenades, indicating that the Red Army is either a shortage of bombs or transportation difficulties.

Apart from the snow-bound northern front, where the Russians penetrated into Finland at the beginning of the war, and where there has been no important activity since Christmas, the Red Army, after more than ten weeks of war, has managed to advance altogether fifty-six bitterly-fought miles at its most advanced point, which is at Maerkajärvi, on the Salla front.

ICE-BOUND

There it is stuck, with ice-bound communications which the Finns are constantly disrupting by attacks from the dense forests.

There is nothing to indicate whether the Russians are able to resume their offensive in this sector directed towards the head of the Gulf of Bothnia.

In proportion to the number of troops engaged, the Red Army's losses are probably worse than the Tzarist Army's losses at Tannenberg.

At four points the Russians have been thrown back to the snow-bound frontier. On the Central Northern front, south-east of Kuumo, Finnish troops are reported to have virtually exhausted the 54th Russian Division, whom they have surrounded for the past 10 days.

It was revealed that the Hague yesterday had a dramatic appeal for help for Finland was made by the Norwegian delegate, M. Hambro, during the meeting of the League of Nations Organising Committee there on Wednesday.

He rose suddenly, appealed for help "for a few million brave Finns who are being brutally attacked by the Soviet armies," and said that Finland needed at least 50,000 strong and well-armed and trained soldiers.

(B.U.P., Reuter and A.P. messages.)

DUTCH TO BUILD THREE CRUISERS

The Hague, Saturday. THE Dutch Government is to introduce a Bill authorising the construction of three battle cruisers.

This was announced here today by the Dutch Minister of Colonies, M. Welter.

The decision, he said, had been taken on the advice of naval experts. The Dutch Government, M. Welter added, intends to purchase long-range aircraft.—Reuter.

TEN PERISH IN BLAZING AIR LINER

Naples, Saturday. A PASSENGER plane of the Ala Littoria line crashed into a mountain five miles from Ajello today and fell in flames.

Ten persons, including six members of the crew, were burned to death. The plane was flying from Brindisi to Rome at the time of the crash, which was believed to have been caused by heavy fog.—Associated Press.

I.O.U.s "WIPE OUT"

Mr. Frank Herman Becker, of 24, Porchester-terr., London, W.2, who died in November last, left £179,839 8s. 5d. He forgave all private debts that might be owing to him "and in respect of which he held no security other than I.O.U.s or bare acknowledgments."

Thieves' £550 Haul WHILE 64 DOGS SLEPT!

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

SIXTY-FOUR DOGS OF ALL BREEDS, SHAPES AND SIZES SIN AND AROUND A HOUSE AT WATFORD SLEPT PEACEFULLY LAST NIGHT WHILE BURGLARS MADE OFF WITH A TWO-CWT. SAFE WHICH REQUIRED FOUR MEN TO LIFT.

They drained the owner's car of petrol and also stole £400 worth of jewellery and £150 in cash.

Mr. Rex Sherren, of Kingsdale Kennels, Watford By-pass-rd., Watford, the victim of this audacious robbery, explained that there were three kennelmen on the premises and a pet dog.

Outside there were 63 dogs which are either evacuated dogs or dogs in quarantine, which he housed for their owners.

MISSING PETROL

"I went to bed at 10.30 p.m. I rose at eight," he continued. "My chauffeur found that somebody had broken into the garage during the night, had drained the car of a couple of gallons of petrol, and had left in the empty tank the tubing with which they had siphoned it away."

"I found that the safe, which was in a hidden place, had been taken away bodily."

"The thieves appear to have covered the safe with a piece of old carpet when they carried it to their car, for the carpet was found today in a near-by lane."

"There were £150 pounds in notes and cash in the safe, two sets of dress studs and buttons, two gold watches and chains, a platinum and gold tiepin, and several gold rings, to the value of about £400."

"It was certainly a cool and audacious bit of work. They must have known what they were after and exactly how to set about it, for none of us heard a sound during the night."

RELIEF IN LUXEMBURG

Luxembourg, Saturday. Residents along the Moselle and Sure Rivers, on Luxembourg's eastern border reported today that German villagers are returning to the homes they evacuated several months ago.

Luxemburgers expressed relief at this, and believed that it meant that no German offensive was contemplated in this area.—Associated Press.

HOW GOERING MADE £140,000

HOW Goering made a profit of £140,000 by selling arms to the Spanish Republican Government—which Hitler was then denouncing—was told in the Paris "Œuvre" yesterday.

In September, 1936, it states, Goering instructed his friend Veltjens, a Nazi air force officer, to go to Helsinki, where Germany had a store of out-of-date arms.

There Veltjens concluded an agreement for their purchase with a representative of the Spanish Government. The arms were shipped to Barcelona in a Swedish vessel and arrived safely.

In August, 1938, a representative of the Mauser arms factory went to Paris, where he offered to sell to the Spanish Government 300,000 Mauser rifles at £2 each—£1 below the market price. The Spanish agreed to the deal, but as Germany insisted on the arms going through another country before making their way to Spain, the deal fell through.—Exchange.

BENNY LYNCH VERY ILL IN HOSPITAL

Benny Lynch, former fly-weight champion of the world, was taken from his home at Paisley yesterday to Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow, and is stated to be seriously ill.

He has been ill for several days, and has been taken to hospital for examination and observation, as his complaint has not been definitely diagnosed.

QUEEN MEETS GIRLS WHO MAKE PLANES

IN A TWO-AND-A-HALF-HOURS TOUR IN THE WEST COUNTRY YESTERDAY THE KING AND QUEEN SAW HOW BRITAIN'S AIR FORCE IS EXPANDING.

In the huge sheds of the Gloster Aircraft works they saw a vast quantity of high-speed Hurricanes and Henley planes in production.

Then they drove to a big training station and saw how the R.A.F. is turning out the pilots to fly the machines.

Production figures of machines and men are secret.

In the main assembly shed the King and Queen saw nearly completed planes stretching in a great double line as far as the eye could reach.

As they walked round the factory they saw planes in every stage of production.

Several times the King and Queen stopped to speak to the men and women who are carrying out this tremendous effort.

The Queen chatted to Mr. George Mears, secretary of the local branch of the National Sheet Metal Workers' Union, who told her that the relations between the men and the employers are very happy.

When Mr. Mears said that they had in the past had their difficulties, the Queen said, "We all have our trials and troubles. I am happy to know you have got over yours so successfully."

The Queen had a long talk, too, with

two girls wearing blouses and khaki trousers who, perched high on their wings, were sewing fabric on to the wings of a plane. They told her that they enjoyed their work.

At the training station the King watched pupil pilots in training. He was told that most of them were volunteer reservists who had joined up just before the war.

Meanwhile, the Queen visited the sergeants' mess and the station hospital. Afterwards she inspected artillery units of the Southern Command nearby.

Sir Kingsley Wood, Air Minister, visited a West Country R.A.F. fighter station yesterday. He also toured the Bristol Aeroplane Co.'s premises.

"NO BARGAIN WITH BEASTS"—L.C.C. LEADER

From Our Own Correspondent

Sheffield, Saturday.

"No compromise with the Nazi regime" was the theme of a speech made here today by Mr. Herbert Morrison, M.P., Leader of the London County Council.

He described Nazi rule as one of "barbaric beastliness and vindictive violence."

"Let it be understood," he declared, "that any mere reshuffling of Nazi personalities—as, for example, the substitution of Goering for Hitler—will make no difference. A Nazi is a Nazi whether his name is Hitler or Goering; Nazi rule and Nazi blackmail must go."

He pointed out that, if the German people destroyed the Nazi Government and substituted an enlightened democratic regime, anxious to co-operate with other nations, the purpose of the war would have been served and there would be no need for its continuance.

Neutrals, he said, should be ready to play their part in the knock-out blow to Fascist insanity and in the building of a wiser world.

SPREADING THE LIGHT

Nearly half the total number of railway carriages have now been equipped with the new improved lighting, the Railway Executive Committee announced yesterday.

THE MEAT CUPBOARD WAS BARE

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

ONCE UPON A TIME THERE WAS A FARMER DOWN IN SHROPSHIRE WHO BREED SHEEP AND SENT THEM TO THE LOCAL BUTCHER SO THAT THE PEOPLE OF HIS VILLAGE SHOULD HAVE PLENTY TO EAT.

And everyone was happy.

The farmer still breeds his sheep—at Albrighton—but now he has to send them eight miles to Shifnal, where a Government official grades them.

Then the sheep are sent another 16 miles to Wolverhampton to be slaughtered.

Back they come 16 miles to Shifnal to the meat distribution depot. After that they are sent eight miles back to Albrighton, where they started from.

That is, if the people of Albrighton are lucky. Sometimes the meat doesn't come back at all, and even when it

does, the villagers feel sorry for the butcher, who has to travel all those miles, and they feel sorry for themselves as well because all that transportation is bound to affect the price they have to pay.

This story, which is neither a fairy tale nor a slice from "Alice in Wonderland," is to be told in the House of Commons on Tuesday by Col. Baldwin-Webb, M.P.

He will ask Mr. Morrison, the Food Minister—all in nice Parliamentary language, of course—where is the sense of all

Albrighton is not the only place that is complaining. South Wales say that some of the meat they get is none too fresh.

In the Midlands they are sometimes getting only half the supplies they need.

Yorkshire miners ask what the 'eck is happening to their trips. Their favourite dish is being sent to other parts of the country.

And back in Shropshire, people in the village of Weston are telling the story of the barn roof that fell on two cattle and injured them so severely that they had to be destroyed.

The accident happened at a time when Weston people were without any meat.

But the butcher wasn't allowed to sell it to his own village people. The Government official ordered him to transport it to Wolverhampton. And so the poor Weston folks got none.

The People

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 11, 1940

THE EMPIRE TOBACCO WITH THE LARGEST SALE



A grand pipeful

You can afford to be generous to yourself with 'Digger' in your pipe. This fine Empire tobacco gives you a full, rich satisfying smoke and an ounce still shows you change out of a shilling.

PLAYER'S 11D AN OZ DIGGER TOBACCOS FLAKE-SHAG-MIXTURE-PLUG-HONEY-DEW

Danger days for RHEUMATISM

If you have "rheumatism in your system," you can be fairly certain that damp, chilly February weather will search it out. The first sign may be a sudden cramping twinge in a knee, hip, or shoulder joint causing you to cry out with agony. Or it may come more gradually as a distressing, aching like "toothache in the limbs," which makes you feel you will never be at rest again.

When you get danger signs of this sort do not try to treat the pain itself. The pain has a cause, and it is the cause that needs treatment. Rheumatic acids and poisons are getting the upper hand over your kidneys and liver. Given up the action of these organs with a daily teaspoonful of Fynnon Salt in a tumblerful of water and the poisons and pain will go together.

The daily Fynnon habit has become known as Home Spa Treatment because it brings to you all those natural solvents, Sodium, Potassium and Lithium, which are found in the waters of famous spas. These mineral elements account for the "miraculous" spa cures you hear so much about. Thousands of grateful letters from sufferers who are now absolutely free from rheumatism, prove beyond doubt that Fynnon Salt brings the same speedy, lasting relief. Large tin, 1/3.—Adv.



MORE PAY FOR MERCHANT SAILORS

AS a result of meetings in London yesterday, of the officers' and sailors' panels of the National Maritime Board, standard rates of pay for navigating and engineer officers are to be raised by £2 a month and 10s. a week from March 1.

The National Maritime Board standard wages for ratings, which have been unchanged since January 1, 1938, are to be increased by £1 a month and 5s. a week also from March 1. There will be half this increase for boys.

War-risk money for seafarers is to be paid at the same rate to all adults—namely, £5 a month and £1 3s. 4d. a week, with half-rate for boys.

It was agreed in principle that ratings should be given periodical war-time leave on pay in the United Kingdom, and that the Government should be asked to provide officers and men with two free railway vouchers annually as is done in the Royal Navy.

FRENCH MAYOR AND OFFICIALS ARRESTED

Versailles, Saturday. The mayor of a town near Versailles and three other municipal officials have been arrested and placed in a camp at Baillet, it is announced today.

They are charged with not having broken off relations with the former Communist Party, of which they had been members.—Exchange.

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BRITISH RELATIVES IN FRANCE

Several relatives of B.E.F. men in France suffering from wounds left London last night to visit them under new scheme.

LORD TWEEDSMUIR

Montreal, according to bulletin issued at 10.30 p.m. (M.T. Loc. Tweedsmuir is still unconscious, but has shown definite signs that the condition is lessening.—Reuter.

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